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HOOVER LEADING

U.S. PRESIDENT ELECTION

MANY WOMEN VOTE

Republicans Piling up Very Significantly

GOVERNOR "AL" SMITH TOP IN NEW YORK

Up to 10 o'clock last night in New York, Mr. Herbert Hoover's election as President of the U.S.A. was deemed imminent "unless an unexpected reversal occurred."

The mighty political currents of 1928 have met at the polls in a tremendous whirlpool of ballot papers.

Reports from all over the country tell a story of unprecedented interest in the elections; all previous records seem to have been surpassed. Women everywhere were prominent among the forty millions of citizens who recorded votes. This is computed to be the largest number who have ever exercised the elective franchise in the history of Democratic Government.

POLICEMEN BODYGUARD

Governor Smith accompanied by his wife, and surrounded by a bodyguard of 10 policemen, walked to the polls followed by the leaders of his campaign to record his vote.

The popular governor was quickly recognised by the cheering crowds to whose cries the hooters of taxicabs and motor-cars and also tin drums and mouth organs of the street urchins added a welcoming note.

Early Indications

The weather was very sunny and was popularly supposed to favour the Republicans.

Hoover, with his customary tact, refused to say a word when he, his wife and two sons arrived to vote at Palatka.

Another notable voter was Lindbergh who flew from Mexico City to St. Louis to record his approval of the Republican nominee.

The bulk of the polling was concluded early, foreshadowing a speedy announcement of the result.

It was soon apparent that Hoover was overwhelming Smith in the usually heavy Republican precincts of Massachusetts. Smith was leading in the small districts in Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina, and the candidates were running neck to neck in the urban districts of Texas.

The Democrats are ahead in the country districts.

Hoover is apparently leading 3 to 1 in Colorado and Kansas.

San Francisco, Yesterday.

Hoover is leading in the Middle West and also in Texas.

Al. Smith is leading in New York State.

Votes For Hoover

Shanghai, To-day.

A telegram from San Francisco states that the returns up to 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening ("New York Time") showed that Hoover had secured 243 of the electoral votes.—Reuter.

Favouring Hoover

New York, Yesterday.

Indications at 10 p.m. (Tuesday) point to the election of Hoover unless an unexpected reversal occurs in traditionally Republican States.

Hoover is piling up very significant majorities in Virginia, Florida and Texas which normally are Democratic, and is also increasing his lead in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New York State to which the Democrats looked for salvation. On the contrary, traditional Republican States are nowhere indicating a change of allegiance.

The Women's Vote

New York, Yesterday.

The election festivities in New York to-night will be on a scale unknown since prohibition was introduced. All the night clubs are booked to capacity at \$15 each cover, and the leading hotels are similarly full.

The betting in Wall Street is 5 to 1 on Hoover. The most spectacular wager is that of the well known motor-car manufacturer, William Durant, who has bet \$1,000,000 on Hoover against \$200,000 put up by a group of prominent Democrats including Mr. Raab, who is Smith's manager and another motor-magnate. Bets of \$100,000 are quite common. Just before Smith's final appeal was broadcast, Hoover's last word

HOW TO SPITE THE GOVT.

PAKKAI FIRES

POLICE TO GO WITHOUT WINTER UNIFORMS?

100 PEOPLE HOMELESS

Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday.

A grass fire causing damage to the extent of \$20,000 was caused by a dispute between the local authorities and the natives. The grass grew on hilly land belonging to the Government but has always been cut by the nearby inhabitants. However, the Sanwai magistrate issued an order to the effect that the grass must be left to his men so that the proceeds can provide the police with winter uniforms.

To show their defiance, the people set fire to the grass in an area of 20 square miles so that the Government could not profit by the crop.

A Kerosene Lamp

Damage to the extent of \$30,000 was caused by a disastrous conflagration which broke out one evening here through a kerosene lamp falling inside a milk hut.

In two hours, more than thirty huts were destroyed and the local Customs Surtax bureau and offices of the Texas Oil Co. were gutted. Two shops in the block were involved.

The local fire brigade was imposed possessing only one or two small hand pumps. The Kongmoon city brigade arrived about an hour after the fire broke out and the Customs pump also rendered assistance.—Our own correspondent.

PARLIAMENT

PRAISE FOR SIR MILES LAMPSON'S WORK

THE DEBATE

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Lords, in the debate on the Address, Lord Parmoor and the Marquis of Salisbury paid a tribute to the work of Sir Miles Lampson.

Lord Salisbury expressed the Government's gratitude for Sir M. Lampson's conduct of affairs under very difficult circumstances. It was impossible to exaggerate the difficulties of the situation and the great skill with which he had surmounted them.

Labour Leader's Queries

During the debate on the address in the House of Commons, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald asked whether the Anglo-French Agreement was alive or had been completely dropped, whether there had been a further communication from America thereon, whether a reply had been sent to the American Note and whether there had been further communications with France on the subject.

Mr. Baldwin replied that the Government knew that it was going to be censured as regards the Anglo-French Agreement, and it would state its case then.

Labour Amendments

London, Yesterday.

The Labour Party has decided upon two official amendments to the address in reply to the speech from the Throne, one dealing with unemployment and the industrial situation, the other with the Anglo-French naval agreement.—Reuter.

The "Compromise"

The British wireless telegrams, from London and dated yesterday, stated:—

The debate on the address, in reply to the King's speech, opened in the House of Commons this afternoon.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Labour leader, criticised generally the policy of the Government. In regard to foreign affairs, he condemned especially the reservations regarding the Kellogg Pact and the Anglo-French naval compromise.

Mr. S. Baldwin, in the course of his reply, said the Government could not reply to an attack on their actions in regard to foreign relations until they had heard the full case of the opposition. While they had heard Mr. MacDonald they had not heard Mr. Lloyd George. It would be discourteous to the Liberal Party to attempt to deal with criticism in these circumstances.

Mr. MacDonald asked whether the Government had no statement at all to make on foreign affairs.

President's Reply

The Premier replied that the Government had published a full White Paper on the Anglo-French

A. P. C. LADIES AT LOGGERHEADS

ALLEGED ASSAULT

MISS GLOVER & MRS. OLLERTON ISSUE CROSS SUMMONS

A DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE

Arising out of an alleged assault on Saturday morning Miss D. Glover and Mrs. J. Ollerton, both employed in the Cables Department of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy, this morning, in cross-summons.

Miss Glover, the original complainant, was represented by Mr. M. R. Lo, whilst Mr. P. M. Hodgson was for Mrs. Ollerton.

On the application of Mr. Hodgson, his Worship fixed hearing of the case for Tuesday afternoon next at 2.15. The charges were denied on both sides.

Mr. Lo made reference to a doc-

"USE DISCRETION"

Magistrate Rebukes A Policeman

"Use a bit of discretion. If you arrested a few thieves it would be better."

This stern rebuke was this morning addressed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell to a Chinese constable of No. 2, Police Station who charged a Chinese fruit hawk for selling chestnuts contrary to the provisions of his licence.

Mr. Lindsell opined that chestnuts from trees, as distinct from water chestnuts, were fruits.

The constable tried to justify himself by pointing out that the chestnuts sold by the defendant were cooked.

Mr. Lindsell retorted that that made very little difference and then administered the rebuke quoted above.

The hawk was discharged.

tor's certificate Miss Glover had.

He said that immediately after the alleged assault she went to Dr. Durran at 11.15 a.m., on Saturday last and was given a certificate of injuries. This certificate, Mr. Lo said, he understood that Mr. Hodgson was prepared to admit in order to save the expense of calling the doctor as a witness.

To Be Subpoenaed

Mr. Hodgson said that he could not definitely say that he would accept the certificate, as he had to consult his client first. He promised to let Mr. Lo know in good time before the case came up for hearing.

Mr. Lo then applied for leave to subpoena certain people working in the office who would probably know something of the affair. He understood from his client that the attitude of these people was that they did not wish to take part, and he thought that they could not be brought to Court without being subpoenaed.

His Worship granted the application.

MOUNT ETNA

FLOW OF LAVA RE-STARTS

HOMES EVACUATED

Catania, Yesterday.

The lava stream from Mount Etna has been resumed and is flowing toward Mascali. The inhabitants are hastily evacuating their homes.—Reuter.

NAVAL MOVES

SUBMARINES ON WAY TO HONG KONG

The following Naval moves are reported:—

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Transport "Somersetshire" has arrived from Hong Kong.

Wellington, Yesterday.

Transport "Dorsetshire" and H.M.S. "Stormcloud" have sailed for Shanghai.

Amoy, Yesterday.

H.M.S. "Titanic" and Submarines L8, L15, L19, L27 and L33 have sailed for Hong Kong.—British Naval Wireless.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 6/18.

MOPPING UP DELTA PIRATES

DEFORMED LEADER

COMPELLED TO FLEE TO NEARBY ISLANDS

"FENCES" SHOT

Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday.

General Heung, commander of the 12th division in the 4th Nationalist Army, has launched plans for a concerted attack on the notorious bandit stronghold of Ku Tau Mountain, an area of over a hundred miles square and extending down to the sea.

He summoned a meeting of delegates of the Defence Corps of adjacent towns (the volunteer militia having been recently converted into Defence Corps under the administration of the Rehabilitation Commissioner of the West River region). The Defence Corps were asked to act as a second line in a grand assault and to guard all avenues of escape while the regular troops hunted out the robbers.

Two gunboats of the Canton Navy, "Kong Tai" and "Kong Hing," have arrived with several armed launches to co-operate in the West River delta if necessary.

It was also stated that a number of military aeroplanes will be used in the attack.

However, word reached the outlaws, Hanchack Leung Yu, the leader, fled from his den at Siu Kong to the islands outside Gaemun where he immediately began to levy "safe conduct money" from craft trading with ports on the southern coast of Kwangtung, such as Yeung-kong, etc.

Two Hours' Battle

It is expected that the proposal of shipping merchants to construct a watch tower at Ngung Kor will soon materialise to counteract the activities of pirates in this part of the delta.

A two-hour pitched battle was fought at Sze Kau, a town on the Sunning Railway one night when two hundred bandits tried to break in.

The local Defence Corps resisted stoutly. Both sides used modern weapons including machine-guns. Reinforcements from neighbouring Defence Corps arrived and turned the tide by striking the robbers on their rear and flanks. The robbers fled so precipitately that they had to leave behind their dead and wounded.

Pirates' Receivers Shot

Captain Mow Yung-ki shot two "gentry" alleged to have acted as receivers of property stolen by pirates and also to have attempted to obtain the release of captured pirates. Two other "fences" were shot by orders of Captain Mow at Kong Mei. Consequently, the pirate gang has lost their avenue of disposal of their spoils and the majority fled abroad. Navigation on the River has been safe since.—Our own correspondent.

Big Flight

"SPIRIT OF AUSTRALIA" IN JAVA

LEAVING FOR BURMA

Batavia, Yesterday.

Hurley, in the "Spirit of Australia," has arrived here and will leave for Burma to-morrow.—Reuter.

A telegram from Sydney, dated Nov. 4, stated:—Captain Hurley and Flying Officer Moir who are flying from Australia to London and back, and hope to make the outward trip in twelve days, took off from Wyndham for Java to-day.

They are flying a monoplane, the "Spirit of Australia," equipped with a 220 h.p. engine, and the slipper-plane of Lindbergh's Atlantic machine.]

R.A.F. FLYERS

EN ROUTE TO THE PHILIPPINES

LATEST MESSAGE

Manila, To-day.

A message from the four R.A.F. flyers, flying from Singapore via Jesselton says that they "expect to arrive at Puerto Princesa at noon to-day."—Reuter.

PIRATES CAUGHT

23 "SHASI" SUSPECTS

MERE AMATEURS

Trapped Ringleader Betrays His Comrades

OUTRAGE PLANNED IN A HOTEL

Piratically-inclined Chinese on the Yangtze River have much to learn, it seems, from their brothers who infest the southern seas and the Canton Delta, for so soon after the outrage on the s.s. "Shasi" outside Hankow the arrest of twenty-three persons allegedly complicated is reported.

They were all having a good time in hotels, brothels and places of amusement.

An arrested leader, "under pressure," gave information which led to the apprehension of others who, in turn, betrayed further members of the gang. The authorities hope to have all the pirates in safe keeping by to-morrow. The Garrison Commander has charge of the prisoners.

ALL HAVING A GOOD TIME

Hankow, To-day.

As the result of smart work on the part of the River Police 23 arrests have been effected in connection with the "Shasi" piracy case.

Acting on information received, one of the ring leaders was arrested in a local hotel and under pressure gave information leading to the apprehension of several others who likewise betrayed their comrades, resulting in a general roundup of most of the gang. A number is still at large but it is expected that all will be in custody by to-morrow.

It appears that the piracy was planned in a hotel in the Three S. A. D. on Friday evening, the gang consisting of ex-soldiers, loafers and ne'er-do-wells generally, mostly hailing from Hunan and Szechuan.

The amateurishness of the pirates is evident from the fact that all were arrested in hotels, brothels and places of amusement while enjoying their ill-gotten gains instead of seeking fresh fields as more experienced raid would have done.

The prisoners were handed over to the Garrison Commander for a further trial after which their fate will be decided.—Reuter.

Quick Work

News of the piracy of the "Shasi" was first received in Hong Kong on Monday, when Reuter wired from Hankow:—

The China Navigation Company's "Shasi" (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, agents), which left here at 9.30 yesterday evening, was pirated at 10.10 p.m. just below the Seven-Mile Creek by pirates to the number of 32 who were travelling as passengers.

The raiders hardly gave the vessel time to get clear of the foreign Concessions before holding up passengers and crew at the point of pistols.

At the time of the outbreak the skipper, Capt. Archibald Cook, was on the bridge with the pilot and quartermaster. Shots were heard below and immediately a number of desperadoes rushed the bridge and overpowered the captain, whom they confined in his cabin.

Capt. Cooke's wife and two children, who were accompanying him in the vessel, were also bundled into the cabin.

Ship Drifts

The "Shasi," whilst the pirates were engaged in their work of pillage, drifted down the Yangtze with nobody in control. Eventually the pirates released the skipper for sufficient time to allow him to give instructions for the dropping of the anchor.

The first officer, who was the only other foreign officer, was also overpowered and had no time to offer any resistance, while the cabins of the four foreign passengers—a French Naval officer, Mr. and Mrs. Pepper and Mr. Henry Hennis (the latter three all American subjects)—were simultaneously rushed.

American Also At The Naval officer and the Peppers escaped unhurt, but Mr. Hennis, on opening his cabin door, was fired at at point-blank range, a bullet shattering a thigh bone. In addition a Chinese member of the crew was killed by the pirates while another Chinese seaman was wounded.

Shortly after these ghastly happenings a strange launch came alongside the stationary vessel and the pirates transferred the loot into it.

Pirates' Complaint

They complained bitterly as to the size of their haul, which was said to have totalled only \$15,000 to \$20,000 in money and valuables. As soon as the pirates had made off the skipper had the anchor raised, turned about, and put into Hankow again.

Mr. Hennis, the wounded American, was sent to hospital and according to a report his condition is not considered dangerous.

Well Dressed Gang It is worthy of note that Mr. Hennis, who is employed by Messrs. Gale and Co., merchants and engineers, of the Rue Dautremere, French Concession, was proceeding on leave to America for the first time in eleven years.

According to information supplied by members of the "Shasi" crew the pirates were well-dressed, some in foreign clothes, and appeared to hail from various Provinces. It is believed the desperadoes are disbanded soldiers as a military identification disc was discovered on the deck of the vessel after their departure.

Launch Returns

Yesterday it was discovered that the launch used in the "Shasi" piracy is the B.A.T. launch "Old Bill."

The launch was missed from her moorings yesterday and it was presumed, it had been commandeered by the military but it has now returned.

The Laodah's story is as follows: At about eight o'clock on Saturday evening five men boarded the launch, which was lying off the Third S. A. D. and forced the crew at the pistol-point to proceed below the Japanese Concession, where about 10 others boarded. Then they proceeded down-river and anchored below Seven-Mile Creek.

After hours of waiting the "Shasi" was observed approaching and flashlight signals were interchanged with the pirates. The "Shasi" anchored and the launch went alongside and took over 80 pirates with loot and baggage. The launch then went up-river, and 30 got off below the Japanese Concession on the Hankow side.

About 10 left at Suchlapong on the Wuchang side and the remaining five at Longwanmiao, on the Han River.

Captain's Story

According to Capt. Cook, master of the s.s. "Shasi," one hour after leaving Hankow, pirates arrived with Mausers and attacked the bridge from both sides, firing as they came. The Captain was forced into his cabin, in which were his wife and children. The cabin was ransacked and rings taken off his wife's fingers. The pirates, estimated to number 30, were armed and several well dressed youths appeared to be in charge, their orders being carried out with expedition. They got away with the commander's steel watch, containing cash and valuables to the total of about \$8,000; 1000 from Chinese passengers about \$1,500; and from other passengers and the crew about \$500.

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 TOYOOKA MARU Wednesday, 21st November.
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 MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
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 CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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DISTRESS SIGNAL

H.M.S. "CORNWALL" TO THE RESCUE

QUARANTINE SEQUEL

Shanghai, Yesterday.
 The s.s. "Kung Wo" was quarantined on Sunday afternoon owing to landing a case of alleged cholera at Kiukiang.
 The quarantine order was strongly resented by 500 Chinese passengers aboard who threatened Captain Gibb.
 As a result, the distress signal was hoisted and H.M.S. "Cornwall" (a 10,000 tons cruiser) was sent with an armed guard aboard to maintain order.
 The "Kung Wo" is lying at Woosung.—Reuter.

WITHOUT LEAVE

WIRELESS OPERATOR BROUGHT TO COURT

Tam Chan-cheong, a wireless operator of the s.s. "Hang Sang," was charged before Commr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court this morning with unlawfully deserting from this vessel last October 31.
 Capt. R. J. J. Sneddon, master of the "Hang Sang," prosecuted and defendant pleaded "guilty."
 A doctor's certificate was produced in Court showing that defendant was ill at the time.
 The defendant was fined one day's pay (\$2) for "absence without leave."

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The M.V. "Esquillo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Penang on Oct. 29, and is expected here to-morrow.
 The E. & A. s.s. "Tanda" left Manila for this port yesterday at a.m. with the outward Australian Mails, and is due here to-morrow morning.
 The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left Singapore for this port on Sunday at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on Friday at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 4 p.m., and is due here on Friday at about 6 a.m.
 The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" from Hong Kong on Oct. 24, left Yokohama on Thursday at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on Nov. 10.

The M.V. "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on Oct. 7, and is due here on or about Nov. 11.

The B. I. s.s. "Trewallard" left Singapore for this port on Nov. 5 at p.m., and is due here on Nov. 12 at a.m.

The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) sailed from Rabaul on Oct. 27, and is expected here on Nov. 14.

The M.V. "Graystone Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on Oct. 14, and is expected in Manila on Nov. 20.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Thursday, and is due here on Nov. 19. She will sail for Manila on Nov. 20 at 5 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France" left Southampton on Oct. 31, and is due Bombay on Nov. 16. She is expected here on Nov. 25.

SHIPPING SECTION.

ITALY AND S.A.

LACK OF MEDIUM-SIZED SHIPS

A CREDIT INSTITUTE

It is authoritatively stated that the first facilities of the Shipping Credit Institute will be used for the construction in Italian yards or for the purchase abroad of ships equipped for the carriage of cargoes and passengers especially intended for the South American trade, writes a Genoa correspondent. During the last months of 1927 and the first half of this year, Italian shipping companies, sold about 20 ships running on the service to South and Central America, and these ships have not yet been replaced. Consequently regular sailings are not possible every week from Italian to American ports, and a considerable number of passengers not having the means to travel on the big fast liners, such as the "Augustus," "Roma," "Conte Grande," "Saturnia," etc., because of the high fares, are frequently obliged to travel on foreign ships. Ships of 12-15,000 tons are in demand for the carriage of cargo on these lines, and all steamship companies of all countries having services between Europe and the Plate have many of these medium-size ships. If the best Italian steamship companies became the owners of ships of this class, having considerable speed and comfort, but without the luxury of the big liners, and a cheap third-class fare, it should be possible to facilitate the temporary visit of Italians living abroad to their native country, according to the desire expressed by Signor Mussolini in a circular sent to Italian Consulates and to the shipping companies.

Higher Rates

According to the decree relating to the Shipping Credit Institute, the Italian Government will be obliged to pay 2 1/2 per cent. of the interest of loans made for the construction of new ships in home yards, and one per cent. of the loans made to purchase ships abroad. The loans, of which interest will be paid by the Italian Government as above mentioned, cannot exceed 400 million paper lire (more than four millions sterling at the present rate of exchange) for the fiscal year 1928-29, and 300 millions for 1929-30 and 1930-31. If the facilities of Shipping Credit Institute will be as estimated, Italian owners intend to sell their old ships for breaking up, not to the owners of other nations, in order to avoid possible competition by purchasers and increased insurance rates. With regard to the latter point, it may be noted that the companies are considering higher rates for very old ships, especially those of Greek nationality.

Bunkering at Italian Ports
 The revival, and the improvement of the bunkering trade in the Italian ports is at present under consideration. This problem was discussed recently in the Italian Senate, and important statements were made by Senator Ricci, Mayor of Genoa, and Signor Ciano, Minister of Communication. The bunkering traffic is diminishing in Italian ports, especially at Genoa and Trieste, and Government facilities for its improvement are stated to be necessary. In the last few years, the decrease at Genoa is estimated at about ten per cent., notwithstanding that the movement of tonnage was about tripled in the same period. At Trieste the decrease is less because the cost is lower. The bunkering costs at Orano, Algiers, and Gibraltar are three shillings per ton less than the cost at Genoa, and the quantity of bunkers loaded normally at Genoa in three days is loaded in some Mediterranean ports in one day. According to Italian experts, it is essential to reduce the difference in cost between Italian and foreign ports to one and a half or two shillings per ton at maximum. With the abolition or reduction of the landing or loading taxes on coal used as bunkers, and the removal of other restrictions, it is estimated that the cost of bunkering should be substantially reduced and a saving of seven paper lire be effected, so that Italian ports would be in a position to face the competition of other Mediterranean ports.

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JUNK SINKS

GOES DOWN IN YAUMATI TYPHOON SHELTER

At about 3 o'clock yesterday morning, cargo boat No. 2331 V., sank in the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter. According to the master, she was carrying a cargo of scrap iron from the China Sugar Refinery to Yaumati yesterday, and anchored overnight in the Typhoon Shelter. Unexpectedly the bottom planking started to crack and, in ten minutes, the boat sank. Preparations are being made to raise the junk.

NOTIFICATIONS

A harbour notification, dated Nov. 6, states that a sunken junk is awash, in latitude 24 degrees, 29' N. longitude, 118 degrees 48' E and is dangerous to navigation.

Another notification states that four mooring buoys will be laid in an approximate position, 300 yards from the shore of the Kai Tak Aerodrome for the use of flying boats between Nov. 17-25, 1928. Vessels are prohibited from going alongside the flying boats and must proceed at slow speed when in their vicinity.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE

Yesterday's return of notifiable disease in the Colony, according to reports to the Medical Officer of Health, was as follows:

Small-pox: 3 cases from Kowloon, 1 from New Territory.
 Diphtheria: 1 case from Kowloon—total 1.

Enteric fever (typhoid): 2 cases from the city, 1 from Kowloon—total 3. All the sufferers were Chinese.

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SPAIN'S CRISIS

KING DEFIES GENERAL DE RIVERA

Madrid, Oct. 10.

Much curiosity was evinced regarding the first interview the Spanish Dictator had with the King of Spain after the latter's tour.

It is stated that General Primo De Rivera presented a decree to the King for the punishment of those implicated in the recent plot. The King is reported to have refused to sign it.

The King is said to have stated in Sweden that he never wanted the Dictatorship which was forced upon him.

The King aides with the army, Monarch.

which, with the exception of General De Rivera's friends, has always stood loyal to the throne. In the event of the King abdicating, his successor, will undoubtedly be a military man.

Ordinarily, the King's son, Prince Alfonso, who was born in 1907, would be the successor to the throne. The constitution definitely lays down that the legitimate descendants of Alfonso XII, father of the present King, should succeed to the Crown. Should the direct line become extinct the succession shall be first to the King's sisters; next to his aunts and her descendants, and finally to his uncles and their descendants.

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THAMES' RISKS

The report on the proposed revision of by-laws for regulating the transport of petroleum spirit in the Port of London, which has been prepared by Major T. H. Crozier and Professor J. S. S. Brame for the Ministry of Transport, as the result of their recent inquiry, is published by the Stationery Office. As recorded at the time the Minister of Transport, Colonel Wilfred Ashley, in answer to a question in the House of Commons at the end of July, stated that after consideration of the report he had reached the conclusion that an alteration in the existing limit of navigation for petroleum tank ships was undesirable, that ships carrying not more than 1,000 tons of petroleum spirit or petroleum spirit and other petroleum in barrels or drums should be allowed to navigate the river Thames to and from Bow Creek, and that ships carrying not more than 2,000 gallons of petroleum spirit or petroleum spirit and other petroleum in barrels or drums should be allowed to navigate throughout the Port of London.

The Port of London Authority sought confirmation of by-laws proposed to be made, under which the existing limit—namely, the Mucking Light at Thames Haven, beyond which ships carrying petroleum spirit are not at present allowed to go—should be altered to permit such ships to navigate higher up the Thames. The new by-law proposed by the Authority would allow petroleum ships of any size carrying petroleum spirit as cargo up to any quantity to navigate the river as far as Crayfordness, about 14½ miles above the Mucking Light; petroleum ships carrying not more than 1,250 tons of petroleum spirit to go as far as Bow Creek; and petroleum ships carrying not more than 2,000 gallons of petroleum spirit to navigate any part of the river within the jurisdiction of the Port Authority.

Major Crozier and Professor Brame in their report express the opinion that the relaxation of the limit for petroleum tank ships would introduce an increased danger which precautions cannot entirely eliminate, and that the necessities of the case do not call for the alteration. Many, therefore, hold that it would not be advisable to alter the existing limit. The results which may follow a single accident to a tank ship have to be considered, and these results might easily be far more serious and widespread than is at all likely with the existing system of conveyance by barge. "A tank ship on fire," the report says, "would be a very dreadful occurrence in the narrower reaches of the river, even if no spirit escaped on to the water, while any considerable quantity of spirit alight on the water, with the fire extending, as in all probability it would extend, to the tank ship itself, might be a disaster of the first magnitude." The existing system of conveyance of the spirit by barge presents a measure of inconvenience, but the authors of the report state that they have been unable to find that the existing system has in any way broken down, or that the interests of the public have suffered.

They consider, however, that some facilities might be given for the export and coastwise trade in petroleum spirit from depots at Silvertown or other places in the upper reaches. It is suggested that petroleum ships might be allowed to carry spirit in barrels or other containers to or from the Bow Creek limit in quantities exceeding the 2,000 gallons proposed for the whole river. As these export quantities are small such ships might be allowed a maximum of 1,000 tons (equivalent to a tow of barges) of petroleum spirit or of spirit and other petroleum products together.

Major Crozier and Professor Brame see no objection to the proposal that ships having on board up to 2,000 gallons of petroleum spirit and products should be allowed to navigate any part of the river within the jurisdiction of the Port Authority, and consider that this might be extended to cover rather larger quantities under similar conditions up to Bow Creek.

Ald. Ball stated at a meeting of the Isle of Wight County Council that a valuable water supply had been discovered through the recent landslide at Blackgang.

A man giving the name of Robert Tremayne, it is alleged, walked out of his lodgings in Remington-road, S.E., with £400 in notes and jewellery, belonging to his landlady.

Mr. Beano, Pearlman, Sheriff of Hull in 1923-24, has been selected as next Lord Mayor of the city.

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The committee in their findings set out in detail the offences of which he was convicted at the Central Criminal Court in June last and state:

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On June 29 Lord Terrington was at the Old Bailey sentenced to four years' penal servitude on charges of fraudulent conversion. There were fifty counts in the indictment, and Lord Terrington pleaded guilty to forty-eight counts relating to the money he was alleged to have received as a solicitor on account of Sir Harold Reckitt. It was stated for the Crown that the charges to which Lord Terrington had pleaded guilty involved a sum of £60,000.

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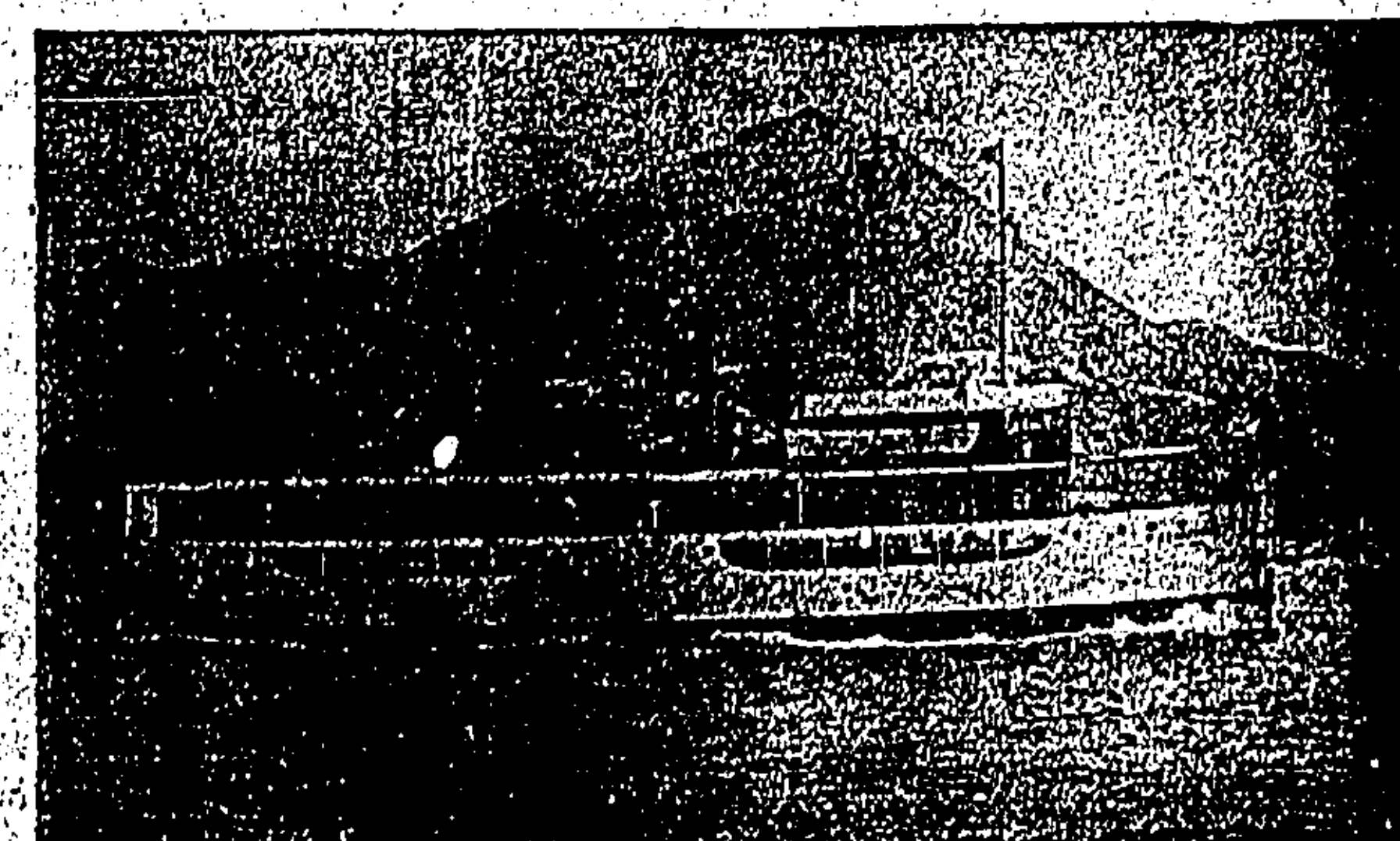
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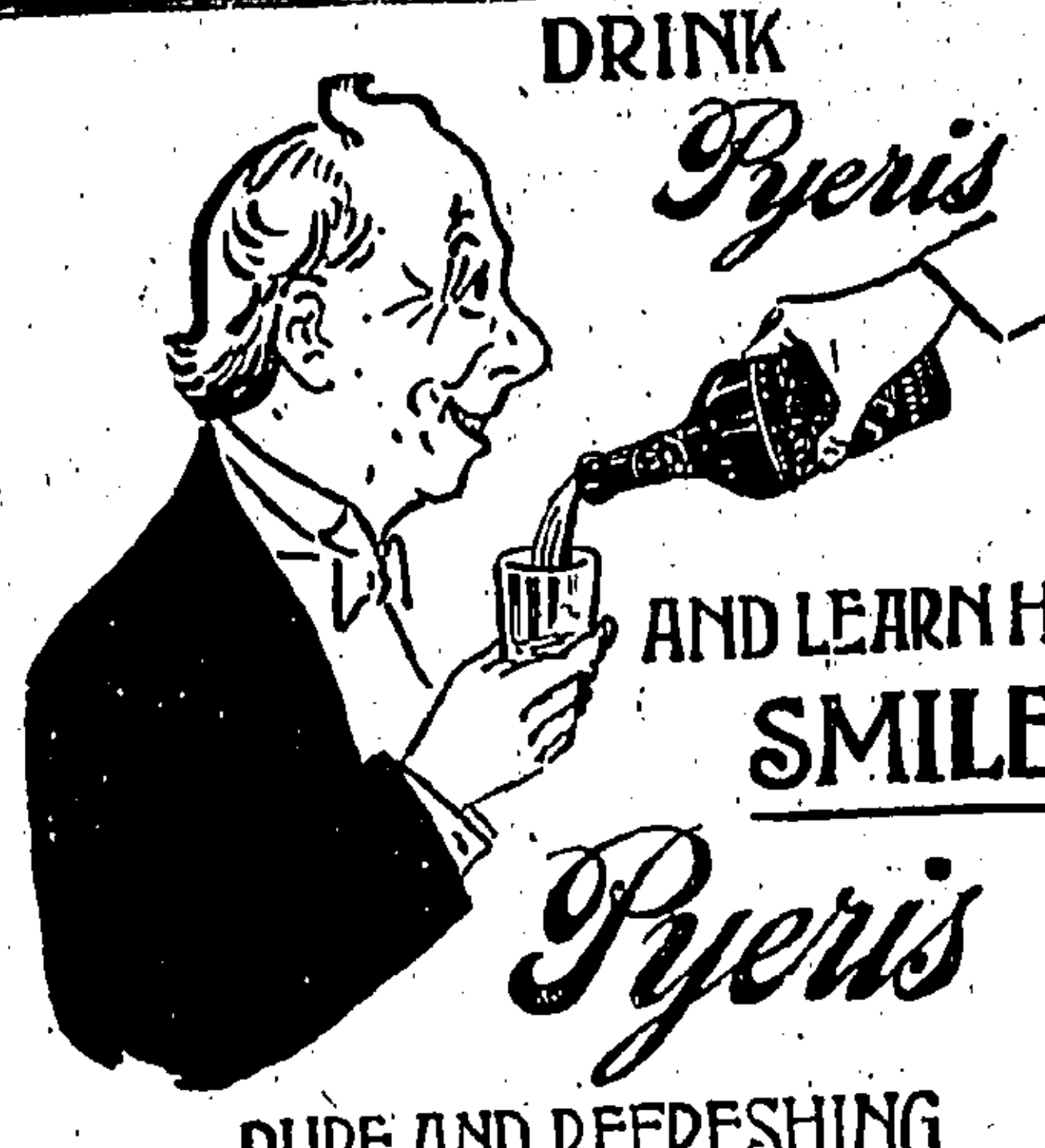
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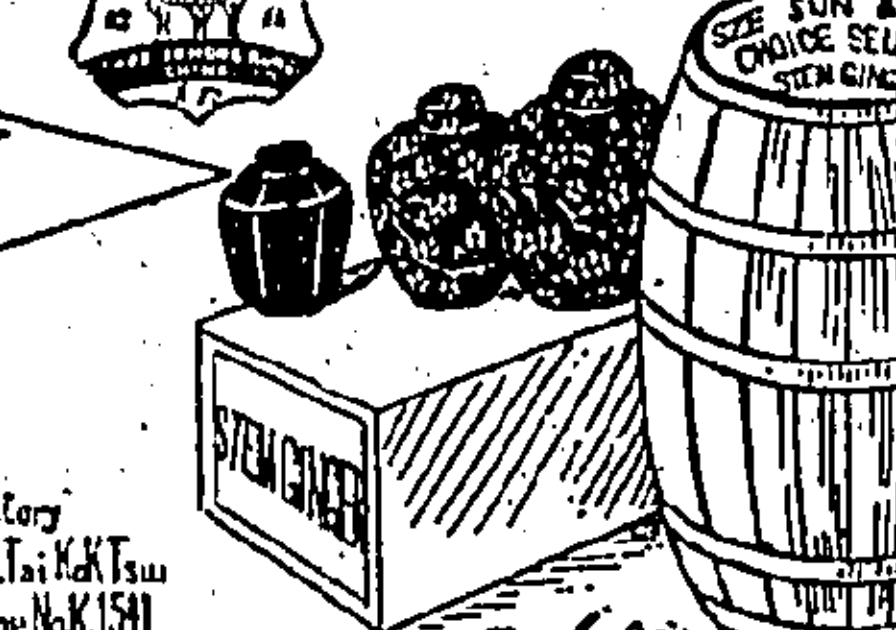
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THE JAPANESE CORONATION

Though the Emperor of Japan succeeded his father a considerable time ago it has not been regarded as expedient, in deference to Japanese ideas of court propriety, to celebrate the coronation of His Majesty until now. The telegrams published in today's and yesterday's issue of the "China Mail" reveal a remarkable and quaint mixture of the mediaeval and the modern. The Japanese royal court and all pertaining to it still cling closely to the old, conservative customs of their country that have been handed down from time immemorial and which are revered, if for nothing else, for their traditional sanctity. On the other hand, the Japanese generally, while preserving an ingrained respect and, in some cases, a profound reverence for their country's traditions, particularly in the matter of ceremony, are enterprising enough to welcome and appreciate those modern methods introduced from the progressive western world which the Far East generally find more and more desirable as time passes. Nevertheless, these ideas of the picturesque past and the progressive present make for extremely interesting reading. For example, the departure of the Emperor from Tokyo to Kyoto had, according to ancient custom to be started somewhere in the "wee sma' ours" of dawn and even earlier—at least the spectators lining the route were compelled to be in their places very early, as by 3 a.m. a cordon of police encircled the route and put a stop to all further traffic encroaching upon the processional area. A certain amount of space within the area was reserved for

the exclusive use of foreigners, who, it is as amusing as interesting to note, were "ordered," to assemble at the appointed place by 4 a.m. Thus we have by what is happening now a glimpse into far off days when yesterday's journey from Tokyo to Kyoto or a similar journey elsewhere in Japan was a matter of very serious moment, chiefly because of its distance, traversed then laboriously and slowly but nowadays "annihilated" by flying-machine, motor-car and railway train. The early start is, of course, to-day as of yore to avoid as much as possible the heat of the day.

It cannot be doubted that the Emperor and those advising him are wise in retaining the ancient customs on such occasions as coronations, for, unquestionably, nothing can be more impressive in the minds of the multitude, most of whom intellectually differ very little from their ancestors of long ago. If they did, would they remain out of their beds and out-of-doors at 3 and 4 a.m. even to see a royal procession? On the other hand, we have the adoption by the Japanese of such very modern devices as wireless, aircraft and cinemas, all of which it would be noted from the reports on the coronation preparations are being brought into full play chiefly by the newspapers and, so far as wireless listening-in is concerned, by millions of the people who, like those in other lands, have adopted this veritable miracle of modern science. The Emperor, who is now about to be crowned, is the 124th successor to Japan's throne "in unbroken succession"—a fact which will especially arrest universal attention and cause more than ordinary interest to be taken in this extraordinary mixture of modern and mediaeval ceremony.

The Land for Lawyers

We do not think our local legal practitioners will quarrel with the following views expressed by a Straits contemporary as to "lawyering" in the Far East:—Many dashing young barristers and newly-fledged solicitors in London Town must have sat up with sudden interest the other day when they read the following in the gossip column of one of the daily papers:—"The Straits offer excellent prospects to young lawyers from this country. There is no distinction between solicitors and barristers, though both have to qualify by six months' probation in an office before they are admitted to the Bar. On the other hand, any newly-qualified English solicitor or barrister is sure of a three years' contract at \$750 a year, with a big increase at the end of his first three years and an early prospect of a partnership, which means an income

running into thousands at an age when at home it is extremely hard to earn a few hundreds. Nobody works too hard, and the climate, though hot, is not unhealthy." Least there be a sudden rush of lawyers to this favoured land, let us hasten to add that, while the above is true in a way, the field is not unlimited. The newcomer may start on \$750 a year, but hundreds of lawyers and thousands who are not lawyers, will rise up to say that this sum translated into Straits dollars is a very different proposition to \$750 in the England of even post-war days. As to the partnership and the thousands a year at an early age, those who are in a position to judge complain that lawyering in the Straits is not what it used to be. It is becoming an overcrowded profession. It was a disgruntled barrister who declared that the dictum: "Many are called but few are chosen" applied with striking exactitude to the English Bar.

The monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce will be held at 2.30 p.m. on Friday.

Lammerts are auctioneering a valuable collection of curios on Tuesday next at their Sales Room in Duddell Street.

The Sind Hindu Merchants Association's meeting was held at Sindhi-Merchants Club on 6th instant and passed the following resolution for the Dewali Festival, which falls on Sunday. "That all the Sind Hindu Merchants will celebrate Dewali Festival at Sindhi Merchants Club, 7th Floor, China Buildings, on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday next from 7 to 11 p.m. All friends are cordially welcome.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. G. A. Hutton Potts, share broker, No. 2, "Alberose," Pokfulam, to Miss S. S. Weil, of No. 1, "Alberose."

Banished from the Colony in March, 1914, for a period of 15 years, an aged Chinese returned to the Colony within a few months of the expiry of the banishment order. He was arrested at No. 340, Portland Street, Yaumati, where he was alleged to have had in his custody a small Chinese boy who was stated to have been kidnapped in Canton. For returning from banishment, the man, who admitted bringing the boy to Hong Kong, was sentenced, by Mr. W. Schofield, to ten months' hard labour. The boy has been sent back to his parents.

CORRESPONDENCE

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—I would like to point out that the Christian Science Parent Church is the only Church to-day fulfilling the requirements of Mary Baker Eddy's Manual. Her Manual provided for a central office of spiritual leadership and human authority. Until her decease in 1910 Mrs. Eddy held this office. She stated that she looked for a successor to take her place as leader of the movement but had found no one qualified. She said that the Church government would evolve and its rules advance nearer perfection. It was not her temporary, changing by-laws, developed to meet new demands, which she predicted would endure to eternity, but her Manual design of a scientific evolving covenant which they were framed to bring out. This design is "the point within the circle," the common consent of the governed to the highest revealed spiritual laws. The physical universal patterns in atom and solar system. It is the mental power system called in the Bible "the covenant." It is the universal design of life, uniting the positive centre of unfolding Truth with the receptive responsive circumference. It is the only possible power system whereby the common consent to death can be broken. It is the fulfilment of humanities' highest hope.

The Christian Science Parent Church is embodying this great Manual plan. It has a living discoverer of spiritual law, able to give her handwriting consent to necessary by-laws as Mrs. Eddy's Manual system requires. Annie C. Bill discovered the Manual design outlined by Mrs. Eddy. It enfolds the Science of organization, for which the whole world is searching, and without which civilisation is doomed to collapse in war and disaster. By dauntless courage and ineffable love Mrs. Eddy's priceless gift to humanity has been saved for the world by Mrs. Bill. The claim of the Boston organization that it is obedient to Mrs. Eddy's Manual Covenant is self-evidently without foundation. Upon Mrs. Eddy's decease her Church Directors, not under-

"WE WHO ARE LEFT"

OBLIGATIONS & POPPY DAY APPEAL

HONG KONG'S HIGH POSITION

Since the late Field-Marshal Earl Haig instituted the Poppy Day Appeal in 1921, its appropriateness as a means of discharging the war's legacy of obligations has been increasingly recognised each year, as the following record of receipts indicates:—

1921	\$106,000
1922	204,000
1923	259,000
1924	350,000
1925	392,000
1926	435,000
1927	517,000

The varied causes of distress, of disability, trade depression, and the consequent unemployment are so well known that it is unnecessary to enlarge on them now. Whatever the reasons may be, thousands of ex-Service men are suffering to-day and their distress is shared by their dependants.

Benevolent Activities
It should be a matter of close interest to the public to know that the moneys they contribute to Earl Haig's British Legion Appeal Fund are used solely in the various benevolent activities of the British Legion. These activities are of a varied nature, including existing amongst ex-Service men of all ranks, their dependants, and the widows and children of those who fell, but the maintenance of efficient employment bureaus for ex-Service men, giving assistance and advice on pensions matters, providing the means enabling ex-Service families to emigrate, helping with the children's education, providing without charge legal advice with regard to housing, employment, and other matters, and granting loans, free of interest, to ex-Service men who wish to commence business on their own account.

The maintenance of these essential services for the benefit of the ex-Service community is provided for by the allocation by the Benevolent Committee to the British Legion's General Funds for Headquarters and Area Administration of a small percentage of the money raised through the Appeal Fund. The annual report of the British Legion, which contains the fullest information with regard to the Legion's work, will be gladly forwarded on request.

Gratitude to the Dead

If the work of the British Legion is to continue generous support to this annual appeal must be made. Hong Kong has an enviable reputation for generosity and a glance at the amounts contributed from different parts of the Empire places this Colony in a very high position.

Poppy Day affords an opportunity when all can show by their readiness to help living ex-Service men, the depth and sincerity of their gratitude towards the dead. "They shall not grow old, as we who are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the passing of years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them."—Contributed.

standing her design of government, disregarded her Manual provisions and substituted a plan of their own without authority to do so under Mrs. Eddy's by-laws. By this plan they relegated to themselves the authority vested by the Manual in the central office of spiritual leadership. The by-laws have been "abandoned" by every member of the Boston organization for over sixteen years. Each rule disobeyed has decreased the spirituality, health and usefulness of the individual members and of the whole body. The Parent Church does not deny the legal status of the Boston organization. It says that body is disobedience to the stated rules of Mrs. Eddy's Manual and that such disobedience can never be justified by having gained through untested legal action permission to carry on in violation of them.

Members of the Boston organization have no more faithful friends to-day than the members of The Christian Science Parent Church, who have recognised and fearlessly exposed the increasing danger of the perversion of Mrs. Eddy's Manual. This perversion constitutes a menace to all mankind, but especially to the members of the "Mother" church since it has reduced Mrs. Eddy's solemn Covenant to the status of "a scrap of paper," thereby weakening the moral fibre of every supporter of such a position.

Yours, etc.
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HONG KONG, Nov. 7, 1928

ARMISTICE DAY

HOW CEREMONY WILL BE OBSERVED

TROOPS AT THE CENOTAPH

Arrangements have now been made for the annual memorial service at the Cenotaph, in Statue-square, on Monday, Nov. 12, in honour of Armistice Day, Nov. 11 falling on a Sunday.

As usual the "Two Minutes' Silence" begins at 11 a.m. but, as will be seen from details given below, it will be advisable to arrive in good time.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) will be on the south side of the Cenotaph, facing the Supreme Court, behind members of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

Military Units

In the representative parties from the Army, under H.E. the General Officer Commanding (Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.) will be men from the Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, Royal Corps of Signals, 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regiment, 1st Batt. the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers, Royal Army Service Corps, Royal Army Medical Corps, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Hong Kong Singapore Brigade Royal Artillery, 3/15th Punjab Regiment, Hong Kong Mule Corps.

The Senior Naval Officer present (Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G.) will be with a Royal Navy party and there will also be a party from the Royal Air Force, all the foregoing being on the south side.

Foreign Navies

On the east side, facing the Hong Kong Club will be—parties from the U.S. Navy and French Navy, Royal Marines Old Comrades Association, Buglers of the 1st Batt. Queen's Royal Regt., members of the Mercantile Marine, Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes, members of the foreign Government and Consular services.

On the north side, facing the harbour, accommodation for R.N. and Army officers was provided on either side, with the Band of the 1st Bedfs. and Herts. in the centre.

On the west side, facing Queen's-building, will be:—the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Guards Association, Ex-Active Service Men's Association, Pipers of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers, the British Legion, and the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Order of Service

The ceremony will be carried out as follows:—
H.E. the Officer Administering the Government arrives at 10.55 a.m.

At 10.56 a.m. the Pipers of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers will play the Lament, "Flowers of the Forest."

At 10.58 a.m. Buglers of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regt. will sound the "Last Post." Officers will salute, other ranks stand to attention.

One gun will be fired at 11 a.m. from Murray parade ground to mark the beginning of the Two Minutes' Silence. One gun will be fired also from Murray parade ground to mark the end of the silence.

The Buglers of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regt. will then sound "Reveille."

The hymn "O God Our Help in Ages Past" will be played by the band of the 1st Batt. the Bedfs. and Herts. Regiment.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government will lay a wreath at the Cenotaph. Wreaths will then be laid by H.E. the General Officer Commanding, followed by the Commodore in charge H.M. Naval Establishments, and if desired by them, by the senior representatives of the French and American Navies on parade.

After the departure of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, wreaths will be laid by representatives of public bodies, the troops will march off independently, and individuals can also then lay their wreaths.

PARATYPHOID

TOTAL OF 124 CASES IN LONDON

Nine new cases of paratyphoid were reported to the Metropolitan Asylums Board in mail week. The total number of London cases is now 124.

The new cases were from Paddington, Fulham, St. Pancras, Islington, Bethnal Green, Southwark, Lambeth, and Greenwich. New York.—Mr. Robert H. Ingersoll, originator of the dollar watch, died last month at the age of 60.

U.S. ELECTION

(Continued From Page 1.)

tional capitol under the direction of the President of the United States senate and in the presence of the members of the senate and of the house of representatives.

Originally the electoral college was designed as an institution whose members should meet and deliberate among themselves in the selection of a President and a Vice-President of the United States and, technically, presidential electors may vote for whomsoever they wish. Practically and traditionally, they vote, as pledged in advance of the election,

the 13 individually by stamping an X after each name. But many voters, on account of indifference or carelessness, do not vote all the way down the ballot for the 13 presidential electors of their party group while others "scratch" their ballots and vote for one or more electors of the opposing party or parties.

Thus it comes about that one or more electors of great individual popularity in the minority party may "run ahead of their ticket" and thereby receive a total vote sufficiently high to displace a corresponding number of electors on what is otherwise the winning ticket. This results in splitting the state's electoral vote.

The Popular Vote
It is the electoral vote and not

MEXICO'S DEBTS

SECRET CONFERENCES
RECENTLY HELD

MEXICAN BONDS RISE

London, Yesterday.
Mr. T. Lamont, Chairman of the International Committee of Bankers on Mexico, has issued a statement revealing that secret conferences have been held during the past weeks between the Mexican Minister of Finance and the Committee's representatives at Mexico City with a view to the conclusion of an entirely new agreement for the repayment of the Mexican debt to foreign investors.

The announcement was followed by a rise in Mexican bonds of a quarter to seven-eighths on the New York stock market.—Reuter's American Service.

TWO DAGGERS

BROTHERS BEFORE THE COURT

HEAVY SENTENCES

Two Magistrates, Mr. W. Schofield and Major C. Willson, O.B.E., heard a case at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, in which two brothers (Chinese) were charged with the unlawful possession of two daggers at No. 23, Battery-street, second floor.

The daggers were found by the police in a paper parcel under the bed in a cubicle, which the principal tenant of the floor said was occupied by the first accused.

The accused claimed that the parcel was left in the cubicle by a friend.

This the police found was true, the friend having disappeared and not been seen again since the accused's arrest.

The raid on the floor was carried out on the afternoon of October 25, as the result of information the police received from a man who had overheard a conversation between the brothers.

The first defendant was sentenced to five years' hard labour, whilst his brother, whom the police said had lived in the cubicle for only two days prior to his arrest, was sent to jail for 18 months with hard labour.

STILL SOARING

HOME UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES

London, Yesterday.
The weekly return gives the total number of unemployed as 1,374,700, which is 30,513 more than a week ago and 268,643 more than a year ago.—British Wireless Service.

The freedom of Aberdeen was conferred upon Earl Jellicoe, Sir T. Jaffrey, a benefactor of the city, and Dr. Laws, of Livingstone, missionary pioneer.

Cleveland had 100,000 more popular votes than Harrison in the nation at large.

An Illustration
A more recent illustration of the difference between the "electoral vote" and the "popular vote" is found in the election of 1912. In that year Wilson's six million popular votes were so distributed as to win for him the 485 electoral votes of 40 states, while Roosevelt's four million votes, bringing pluralities in six states, won but 83 electoral votes, and Taft's three and one-half million popular votes, accounted for but two states, with only eight electoral votes.

Hence the effort put forth in a presidential campaign to carry doubtful states, especially those whose large electoral vote will materially contribute to running up the candidate's total to the requisite 266. Nevertheless, the electoral vote of any state in the Union, regardless of its size, may prove to be the deciding factor in the election when the votes are counted as was the case in the presidential election of 1916 when California's thirteen votes turned the scale in favour of Wilson.

Forecasting the Election
Predicting the result of an election is largely a question of personal equation, for in matters political as in other affairs, it may be said that one man's guess is as good as another's. Yet, if preferences are laid aside and reasoning is applied to forecasting the result of an event of this nature, it will certainly take into account past history as well as present-day factors. In this process, numerous questions will occur: What are the "rock-ribbed" republicans? What states comprise the "solid South"? What states are pivotal or doubtful? What is the electoral vote of the various states and how has it been cast from election to election? How have minor parties figured in elections?



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IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

The Hunan authorities have placed the men of the 24th army corps on the construction of a new highway between Sinfeng and Hengchow, reports the Chinese press.

Prizes were awarded last week by the Chinese Commission for the Study of Treaties for essays on the unequal treaties submitted by students in various parts of China.

Communists are reported again to be active in Huanggan, Hupeh. During the past month, it is said, they set fire to nearly 100 houses and murdered more than 30 people in cold blood.—"Eastern Times."

Mr. H. H. Fox, C.M.G., H. M. Commercial Counsellor, is at present on a visit to Shanghai, having travelled from Tientsin by the S. N. S. "Shuntien." He expects to be in Shanghai for two or three weeks.

His friends will be sorry to know that Judge Milton D. Purdy, who has been indisposed for some days, has had to enter the Shanghai Sanatorium, being admitted last Sunday, says the "N. C. Daily News" of 30th ult.

The "Shunpao" (Shanghai) says that, in accordance with a decision reached by the Kiangsu Provincial Government, benevolent homes for the aged, orphans, destitute and unemployed are to be established in the various districts of the province.

The S.M.R. Co., has decided to establish a sanatorium for tuberculosis cases in commemoration of the Imperial Enthronement at the outlay of Y. 600,000, to extend over two years. A spot in Kuantung Leased Territory has been selected for the site. Work will be begun at the next thaw.

The engagement is announced of Miss Etta Moore, daughter of Mrs. B. F. Moore, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Capt. Coleman Driver, U.S.A., at present attached to the American Embassy in Tokyo. Capt. Driver is well-known throughout the Far East. He was formerly Inspector for Military Science at McKinley High School in Honolulu.

Word has been received from Victoria, B.C. of the death in a motor car accident of Mrs. A. C. R. Northway, who was well known in North China and, in the Yangtze Valley. Her husband (who until about two years ago was with the Salt Gabelle) and his daughter Ruth were in the car at the time of the accident but escaped with slight injuries.

Miss Leah H. Cain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Cain, formerly residents of Yokohama and now of Victoria, B.C., was married on October 27 at the British Consulate-General in Kobe to Mr. William Cantlay. The civil ceremony at the consulate was followed by the religious service at All Saints' Church, where the ceremony was performed by the Rev. John O. Ford. The church service took place at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon and was followed by a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thorne, at No. 64 Yamamoto-dori, 1 Chome. Mrs. Thorne is a sister of the bride. Mrs. Cantlay formerly lived with her parents in Yokohama but went to Kobe following the earthquake, where she was connected with the Chartered Bank. Mr. Cantlay is sub-manager of the Chartered Bank.

Mrs. R. Moor, wife of the Deputy Public Prosecutor, Johore, is returning from England by the a.s. "Lalandia."

Mr. J. Strachan, General Manager, F.M.S.R., is leaving London for Malaya this month. Mr. A. Palmer, who is at present Acting General Manager, is then going on leave.

An Ipoh (Malay States) message states:—What was probably the first news in Malaya of the landing of the Graf Zeppelin was picked up by Mr. F. Butten, a Taiping planter, by radio. He got the full story of the landing from the lips of the broadcaster at Lakehurst, even hearing asides.

Mr. George Fleming, of North Taiping Tin Dredging, Ltd., who recently left for Australia, was entertained to a farewell dinner at the Perak Club, Taiping, by his friends. Mr. R. R. Bullmore presided, and Mr. Fleming was presented with a silver and enamelled cigarette case.

Prior to vacating the Ministry of Interior to take up his new appointment as Minister of Public Health, Mr. Hsueh Tu-pi addressed the members of his staff and exhorted them (1) to carry out their duties conscientiously; (2) to remember that they are public servants; (3) to work for the people; and (4) to reform when they make mistakes.—"Shunpao."

A Chinese patient committed suicide at the General Hospital, Singapore, recently, by hanging himself. The deceased had been sent to the hospital for medical observation and was under police custody. He was arrested some time ago after a knife attack on some other Chinese. He used his clothing with which to hang himself.

At the last meeting of the Chinese Swimming Club, Penang, November 24 was fixed for the official opening of the new Club premises. The Secretary has, however, since discovered that the tide on that particular day will not be favourable to aquatic demonstrations which, it is stated, will be the event of the occasion. The President's attention has been drawn to the matter. His opinion is still to be known, says a Penang paper to hand.

A mass meeting was held in the Port Swettenham Recreation Club Hall recently under the Presidency of Mr. Tan Chai Ee. The meeting was consequent upon the reported withdrawal of the existing Anglo-Chinese School from Port Swettenham next year. After some discussion as to the importance and necessity of having an English School in that locality, a strong Committee was formed to make a representation to the Government in the matter.

\$23,200 ESTATE

Re-sealing of letters of administration to the estate of Ernest Caldwell Richards, of Creekhaven, St. Mawes, Cornwall, who died intestate on April 29, has been granted to Mr. D. V. Stevenson, lawful attorney of Kate Armstrong Macdonald, deceased's sister. Estate in Hong Kong comprising shares in the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., was sworn under \$23,200. Deceased left personal estate in Britain valued at \$15,454 0s. 6d.

An application is to be made in the law Courts for a direction as to the disposal of \$5,950, the unexpended balance of the Westminster Flood Relief Fund.



Mr. Herbert Hoover, of California, the Republican candidate, who holds a commanding lead.

for the candidates of their respective parties. Thus presidential electors constitute a tabulating device whereby the votes of their states are recorded. The counting of the electoral votes at Washington, D. C., in February, is a mere formality, inasmuch as the country knows three months in advance what the result of this count will be.

Without Majority
If no candidate for President receives a majority (266) of the electoral vote, the House of Representatives proceeds to elect a President, confining the choice to one of the three highest. Each state in such a contingency has but one vote,

the total popular vote of the nation that decides a presidential election. The winning candidate may have, and usually does have a plurality and sometimes a majority of the popular vote, but he must have a majority (266) of the electoral vote to be elected. But all that a presidential candidate needs to obtain the full electoral vote of a state is a plurality, however small, of the popular vote in the state for each of his party's presidential electors.

A small plurality of the popular vote in a state, with a large electoral vote may contribute heavily, if not decisively, to carrying the election in the nation at large. Thus a



Governor Alfred Emanuel Smith, of New York, the Democratic candidate, "strong" in his own state.

which is bestowed as the majority of the state's representatives in the lower house of congress may determine. If no candidate for vice-president obtains a majority of the electoral vote, the senate—the members voting as individuals—chooses from the highest two and a majority elects.

It is possible for a state's electoral vote to be split. In California, for instance the presidential electors nominated by each party are arranged in groups on the ballot, with the party designation stated after each name. The voter may vote "blue" for all 13 of his party group by stamping an X in a designated square, or he may vote for

plurality of 100,000 in the popular vote of California would give a candidate only 13 electoral votes while a plurality of 1,000 popular votes or even of one vote in New York would give the candidate New York's 45 electoral votes.

The outstanding historical illustration of what it means for a candidate to carry a big state in a close election dates back to 1884, when fewer than 600 popular votes swung the State of New York with the 36 electoral votes which it then had, to Cleveland, thus making him victor over Blaine. In the following presidential election of 1888 Benjamin Harrison won over Cleveland by an electoral vote of 233 to 163, although

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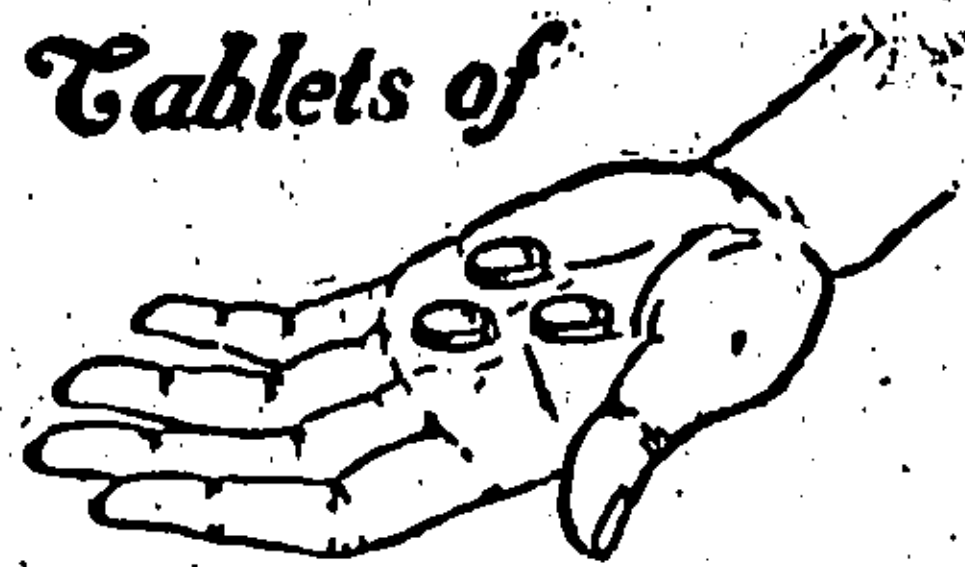
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PARLIAMENT

(Continued from Page 1.)

naval compromise. They knew that later they were to be censured on this matter and that was the occasion on which the Government proposed to state their case.

Mr. P. Snowden (Labour) supported the demand of Mr. MacDonald for a statement by the Government on foreign affairs. In the absence of such a statement, he declared, it was of no use to proceed with the debate; and he therefore moved the adjournment of the House.

Mr. Baldwin defended the absence of a statement by pointing out that for many years a debate on the address, in reply to the King's speech, had nearly always been of a general character. He understood that amendments relating to matters in dispute, including one by the Liberals, were to be moved.

The Government had been subjected to a great deal of criticism and very hard things had been said of them in the country, and the Government desired to see what was equivalent to a vote of censure moved upon them and to observe whether the same things would be said in the House as were said in the country. The Government had a perfect right to reserve their reply for that occasion. In these circumstances, he could only congratulate Mr. Snowden on going back to the old constitutional practice of moving an adjournment of the debate at the early hours, and he had pleasure in accepting it.

The motion for adjournment was agreed to without division and the House rose.

Lord Salisbury's Views

In the debate on the King's speech, in the House of Lords, Lord Salisbury (for the Government) protested against the description of a Naval Pact being applied to what was really a provisional accord reached with the French Government, which the British Government communicated at once to all the other Powers concerned. Undoubtedly, that naval arrangement was now at an end. It was confronted with a reception which was not at all encouraging. He greatly regretted that. He did not know how the problem of disarmament was to be solved unless there were preliminary understandings which would be communicated.

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The Address

H. M. the King opened Parliament to-day with the usual ceremonial. There was not a very large attendance of the House of Commons, where Saklatvala distinguished himself by remaining seated in the Commons until the other commoners had returned from the House of Lords.

The King's speech expresses great satisfaction at the signature of the treaty for the renunciation of war at Paris on August 27. In pursuance of their fixed policy the Government continued to accord full support to the League of Nations, co-operating in all its current activities, and particularly sought fully to discharge its obligations under Article VIII. of the Covenant by reducing armed forces to the lowest point consistent with national safety and by assisting the League to formulate plans for a general reduction of armaments.

Reparations' Problem

Agreement was reached with the Governments of Belgium, France, Germany, Italy and Japan for the opening of negotiations with a view definitely to settling the problem of reparations. It has also been recognised that negotiations should be held with regard to the German Government's request for the evacuation of the Rhineland.

Referring to the Coronation of the Emperor of Japan, the King takes the opportunity of wishing His Imperial Majesty a long and glorious reign. The historic Anglo-Japanese friendship has always been a potent factor in the maintenance of peace in the Far East.

China and Peace

His Majesty welcomes the efforts of China to establish a Central Government and cope with the forces of disorder. "I regard the progress of these endeavours as of the highest importance, not only for the safety and prosperity of my subjects resident in China, but for the peace of the world."

The estimates of the services for the coming year are being prepared with strict attention to the continuing need for economy in public expenditure.

Industrial Outlook.

As an anticipation of the general scheme for relieving agriculture and productive industry from the burden of rates, the Commons will be asked to make provision for enabling the railway companies to lower their charges on important traffic concerning agriculture, and the coal, iron, and steel industries. The situation in the mining areas continues to engage the earnest attention of Ministers, who are taking energetic steps to promote the success of the scheme of industrial transference and migration. The abnormal expenditure from the unemployment fund, entailed by the displacement of labour from the mines, will necessitate the increase of borrowing powers, and a bill on this matter will be submitted to the House of Commons.

Rating Relief

Measures will be presented to the House of Commons to carry out

a scheme for the reform of the rating system, the reorganisation of local government and the readjustment of the financial relations between the state and local authorities. His Majesty trusts that the relief from the burden of rates under the scheme will benefit agriculture and lead to greater employment in industry generally, and particularly in the basic trades whose condition still causes concern.

The speech emphasises the importance of the proposed changes in local government and the relations between the Exchequer and the local authorities, which Ministers anticipate will promote efficiency and economy in local government and will enable better provision to be made for the health of the people and allow direct assistance particularly in those areas whose needs are most pressing.

Bills

The speech foreshadows bills extending the export credits guarantee scheme for a further period, and authorising the appointment of two additional members of the judicial committee of the Privy Council, one additional Lord of Appeal in Ordinary and assisting agriculturists in Scotland to obtain credits.

Address Agreed to

The House of Commons agreed to the address and adjourned.—Reuter.

Manchester Town Hall Committee recommended the appointment as town clerk of Mr. F. E. Warbreck Howell, town clerk of Wolverhampton.

Mrs. Ellen Wickenden, an inmate of the Peimbury, Kent, Poor Law Institution, was 100 years old recently.

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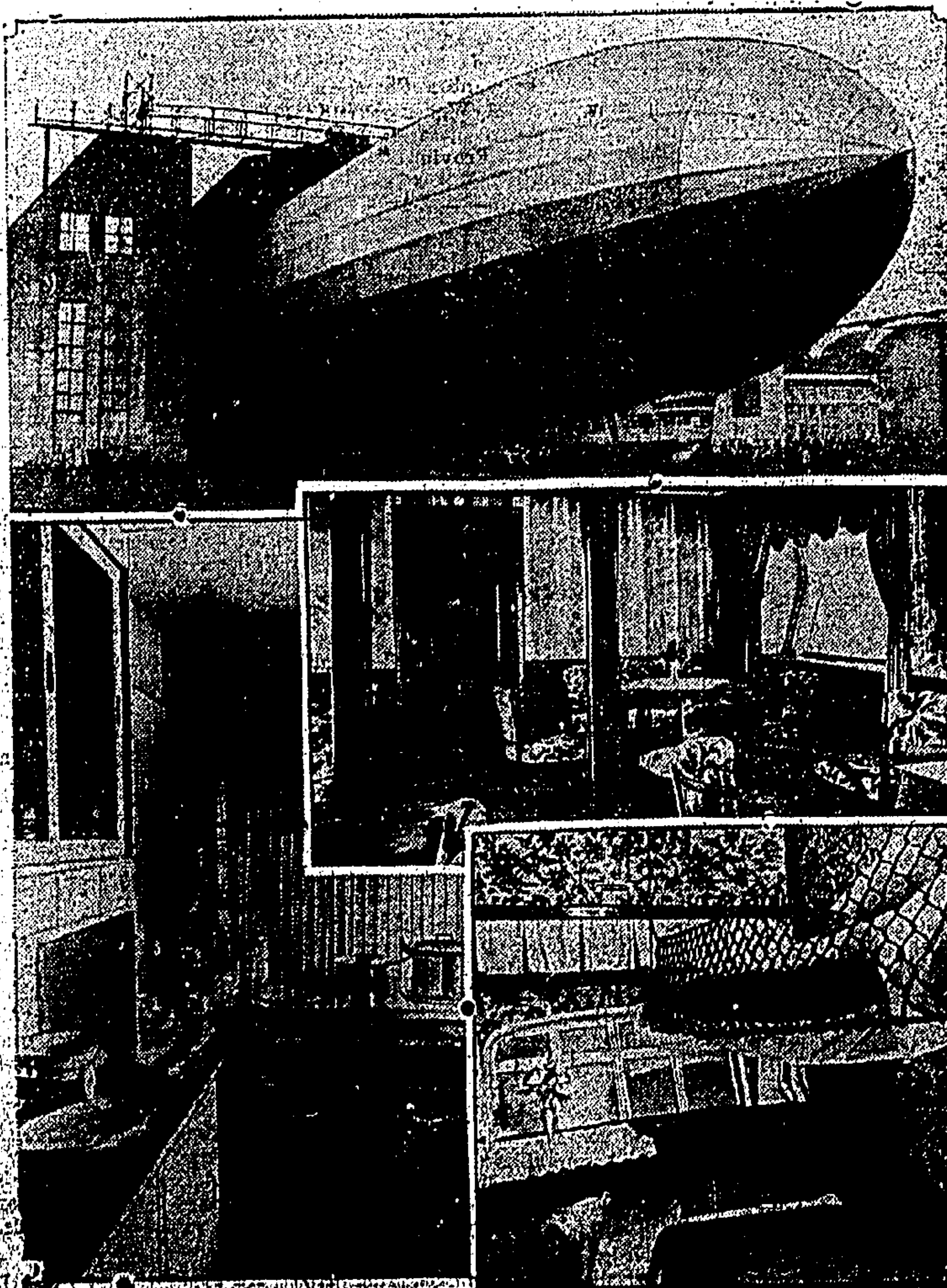
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SOCCER

RECREIO BEAT THE POLICE

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The Division I. soccer match between the Recreio and the police yesterday resulted in a win for the former by the odd goal in five.

The game was played on the Kowloon F.C. ground and started 20 minutes after the advertised time. Gosano kicked off and immediately Recreio invaded Police territory. Here Gosano made good use of a fine opening and beat Estall with a fast shot. Wynne and Sherry had a very busy time for the rest of the first half, but managed to keep the Recreio forwards out. Towards the close of this half, Fraser secured the ball when well out, and ended up a pretty solo run by banging the ball into the net for the equaliser.

After Howarth had missed a good chance of giving the lead to the Police at the resumption, Recreio scored from a corner. A. Gosano again finding the net during a melee at the goal mouth. B. Gosano had the misfortune of being injured soon afterwards and had to leave the field. He did not return for the rest of the game.

An Easy One

At the Recreio end, Howarth and Fraser had missed easy chances. Then the ball was transferred, and from a well placed lob by Brown, Ward headed into the net for Recreio's third goal. Soon afterwards the police were given a free kick close to the penalty area. McGreavy lobbed the ball. The Recreio goalie was so sure that it was going out that he made no attempt to stop the shot. The ball slipped into the net just underneath the cross-bar. The Police continued to press but their shots missed by inches, several hitting the cross-bar and the uprights.

To-day's Matches

Mid-Week League Fixtures
Police v. Ewo (Chinese), St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Sgt. Clarke.
P.W.D. (Chinese) v. Hung Kui School, Athletic ground. Referee: Mr. Lawrence.
Lam Long Wan v. Athletic, Caroline Hill. Referee: L/Cpl. Shead.

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FOR HALF-BACK FOR NEWCASTLE

London, Oct. 27. Despite the growing volume of agitation against it the heavy transfer fee evil shows no abatement, the latest case being that of J. H. Hill, the Burnley centre-half, who has just been transferred to Newcastle. The transfer fee is believed to have been over \$8,000.

Newcastle have only scored eight points out of a possible 24 this season and they are second from the bottom of the table.

HOME RUGBY

London, Oct. 27. The weather was wet and grounds heavy for to-day's Rugby, principal results being as follows:
Old Merchant Taylors 8, Old Blues 16.
Blackheath 10, London Scottish 13.
London Welsh 8, Newport 16.
Richmond 0, Cambridge 14.
Guy's 5, Harlequins 19.
Forsyth's Services 8, Oxford 8.
Rosslyn 5, Bristol 4.
Coventry 9, Bedford 6.

County Championship

Results in the County Rugby Championship were as follows:
Somerset 10, Cornwall 5.
Gloucester 18, Devon 0.
Cheshire 3, Northumberland 11.

CANTON MEET

PROVINCIAL ATHLETICS FINISH

A DINNER PARTY

The 11th Kwangtung Provincial Athletic meet concluded yesterday. It is claimed that it had been carried out with such success that previous athletic meets had not achieved.

In honour of the representatives, a dinner party was given by the officials of the Athletic Meet at the Asia Hotel last night. Mr. Wong Chit, Commissioner of Education, Admiral Chan Chak, Commr. of the Canton Navy, Mr. Lam Wan-kai, Mayor of Canton, General Cheung Man, Chief of Staff and many other important Government officials were present. Mr. Wong Chit, Vice-Chairman, occupied the chair in the absence of Marshal Li Chai-sum, and several speeches were made. The dinner concluded with three cheers for the success of the Athletic Meet.

Marshal Li Chai-sum contributed many prizes to the meet, among which was a prize in the sum of \$2,000 cash. Half of this sum was to be presented to Ip Pui-nam, winner of the 10,000 metres Flat Race.

Free Scholars

The Canton Government, it is understood, will recommend the admittance of Ip Pui-nam, Tsang Tak-chuen and Tsang Shiu-cho, 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the 10,000 Metres Flat Race, into the Chung Shan University as free scholars. This is done in order to encourage the young men to participate in sports.

Locals Win

In order to meet the demand of the Canton community, the officials of the Athletic Meet made arrangements with the officials of the South China A.A. and Chinese Athletic Association to field a soccer team against a combined team of the Naval, Military and Civil Services of Shamen and Chinese Players of Canton.

The representatives of the Hong Kong team were as follows:—Yik Chan-ping; Lai Yuk-tat, Lo Wai-kam; Lam Yuk-ying, Wong Sui-wah, Ho Cho-yin; Ip Pak-wah, Wong Mee-shun, Wong Pak-chung, Fung King-cheung and Tso Kwai-shing.

The Hong Kong team won by 3 goals to 1, Wong Pak-chung scored 2 goals, and Lam Yuk-ying scored one.

Lady Champion

Ng Sze-kwong has become champion in the Tennis Singles. In the ladies' swimming competition, Miss Kwok Tsoi-ming won four races out of seven, and obtained the highest marks and was declared champion.

Miss Kwok won the harbour race held by the V.R.C. this year. She is a member of the Ching Wah Girls' Athletic Association (H.K.). 50 yards: 1st Kwok Tsoi-ming, time: 44-2/5 secs.; 2nd Chan Yuk-fai 50-1/5 secs.; 3rd Tsoi Po-chi 56 secs.

200 yards: 1st Kwok Tsoi-ming, time 1:43 mins.; 2nd Chan Yuk-fai 1:52-4/5 mins.; 3rd Ho Kit-chi 1:53-3/5 mins.

100 yards (back stroke): 1st Kwok Tsoi-ming, time 2:0-4/5 mins.; 2nd Chan Yuk-fai, 2:3-3/5 mins.; 3rd Lee Chung-yu, 2:29 mins.

220 yards (breast stroke): 1st Kwok Tsoi-ming, time 4:26-1/5 mins.; 2nd Ho Kit-chi 4:38 mins.; 3rd Chan Yuk-fai 4:52 mins.

220 yards: 1st Ho Kit-chi, time 4:15 mins.; 2nd Chan Yuk-fai, 4:27 mins.; 3rd Yeung Wai-pun, 4:31 mins.

440 yards: 1st Ho Kit-chi, time 10:0-4/5 mins.; 2nd Chan Yuk-fai 10:10-3/5 mins.

160 yards (4 persons relay race): 1st Ching Wah Girls' Athletic (H.K.) time 2:40 mins.; 2nd Chun Kwong Girls' School, 3:22-3/5 mins.; 3rd Girls' High School.

In the Men's Swimming Competition: Chan Chun-ling, of the Chinese Athletic (H.K.) became champion.

SHANGHAI RACES

MR. EVE'S PONIES DO WELL

TWO CLASSICS

The second day's racing of the Autumn Meeting of the Shanghai Race Club yesterday (through the courtesy of the Hong Kong Club), are given below. The most successful owner was Mr. Eve, whose ponies were ridden by Mr. Pote Hunt.

Race 1—The Northern Cup. Three-Quarter Mile.
Mr. Eve's Wedding Eve 1
(Mr. Pote Hunt)
Mr. Toeg's Nith 2
(Mr. Wells Henderson)
Messrs. We Two's Oh Kay 3
(Mr. Haimovitch)
Time: 1 min. 31-2/5 secs.

Race 2—The Mongolian Handicap. "A" One and a quarter miles.
Mr. S. N. Shendrikoff's Zorhan 1
(Mr. Dallas)
Mr. Eve's Coronation Eve 2
(Mr. Pote Hunt)
Mr. Toeg's Fair Sport (Mr. Hill) 3
Time: 2 mins. 35-4/5 secs.

Race 3—The Mongolian Handicap. "B" One and a quarter miles.
Mr. S. N. Shendrikoff's Zorhan 1
(Mr. Lewis)
Miss Ada Law's Glen Fallock 2
(Mr. Jack)
Messrs. Fay and Seth's Christmas Chimes (Mr. Haimovitch) 3
Time: 2 mins. 40-3/5 secs.

Race 4—The Racing Stakes. Nine Furlongs.
Mr. A. N. Dallas's The Buckeye 1
(Mr. Jack)
Messrs. White and Maitland's Buster II 2
(Mr. Maitland)
Mr. Dod's MacKay 3
(Mr. G. Pollock)
Time: 2 mins. 27-4/5 secs.

Race 5—Flyaway Plate. Half Mile.
Mr. Eve's Elopement Eve 1
(Mr. Pote Hunt)
Mr. Day's Surplusland 2
(Mr. Dallas)
Mr. Dorman's Promising Venture 3
(Mr. Hughes)
Time: 1 min. 3/5 secs.

Race 6—The Shanghai Stakes. (Classic) 1 1/2 miles.
Messrs. Beth and Lemarchand's Charcoal 1
(Mr. Maitland)
Mr. S. A. Judah's Meadow Green 2
(Mr. Judah)
Miss Ada Law's Beattock 3
(Mr. McEain)
Time: 3 mins. 26-1/5 secs.

Race 7—The Subscription Griffin St. Leger (Classic) 1 1/4 miles.
Messrs. Bailey and White's Shellfire 1
(Mr. Eric Moller)
Messrs. Mollers Ltd.'s Wynn 2
(Mr. Chasdict's Big Ching) 3
(Mr. Hill)
Time: 4 mins. 02 secs.

Race 8—The Siccawell Plate. 1 1/4 miles.
Mr. Liddel's Wheatcroft 1
(Mr. McEain)
Mr. Eve's Chilly Eve 2
(Mr. Pote Hunt)
Mr. Day's New Zealand 3
(Mr. Dallas)
Time: 2 mins. 43-1/5 secs.

Race 9—The China Cup. Seven furlongs.
Mr. Eve's Election Eve 1
(Mr. Pote Hunt)
Mr. Robson's The Chatty Bird 2
(Mr. Hill)
Mr. Allam's Perhaps So 3
(Mr. Wells Henderson)
Time: 1 min. 51-2/5 secs.

Race 10—The Loong Wha Cup. Three-quarter mile.
Mr. Robson's The Snake Bird 1
(Mr. Hill)
Mr. R. H. McNair's David Garrick 2
(Mr. Bauld)
Mr. A. N. Dallas's Royal Lancer 3
(Mr. Jack)
Time: 1 min. 32-2/5 secs.

Race 11—The Pagoda Handicap. 1 mile.
Mr. Day's Clover Land 1
(Mr. Dallas)
Mr. Massachusetts's Mongol Boy 2
(Mr. Judah)
Messrs. Bill and John's Ton Peartree 3
(Mr. Maitland)
Time: 2 mins. 07-4/5 secs.

HOCKEY

RECREIO DEFEAT THE Y.M.C.A.

FOUR GOALS TO ONE

Hockey teams representing the Club de Recreio and the Y.M.C.A. clashed at King's Park yesterday evening, when an interesting game resulted in a win for the Portuguese by four goals to one.

The result was not a true indication of the game, as the "Y" took a large share in it, but luck was dead against them and they could do anything but find the net. This was especially so at the closing stages of the game when the Recs' goal had many narrow escapes.

The "Y" had the satisfaction of opening the scoring through A. R. Kinross when they signalled the opening of the game with a fine combined rush right from the "bully-off." The Recs. were clearly taken by surprise and could do nothing to stop the invaders.

Portuguese Attack
From the centre, the Recs. attacked strongly and H. Alves made the scores level. The Portuguese continued the pressure after this success, and J. Noronha gave them the lead before half time.

Recs. continued to press at the resumption, A. D. Xavier got through to give his side a lead of two clear goals. The "Y" then took a hand in the game and for a long time worried the Recs.' defence, but try as they would they could not find the net. Just before the final whistle, the Portuguese again went on the war path, and a well organised attack saw D. Lopes put in another goal.

Y.M.C.A. v. St. Andrews
The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. 2nd XI. against St. Andrews Y.M. Club to-morrow at King's Park, at 6 p.m.:—W. Barrowman; V. Petherick; F. S. W. Smith; G. Mitchell; P. Sands, W. McIntyre; A. Tate, E. G. Sewell, T. Seddon, T. J. Price, W. H. Smith. Reserves: W. E. Price, V. M. Hast. Referee: E. R. Robinson.

PING PONG

NG TAI-PING WINS A TITLE

An exhibition Ping Pong Championship Singles Tournament open to all players of the Kwangtung Province was held last week in Canton.

There were many entries from Hong Kong, the Chinese Athletic Association being represented by Chan Hon-shu and Shiu Tin-lin, the Wah Yan Old Boys' Union by Ng Tai-ping (President of the Hong Kong Ping Pong League) and Cheng Sam-chuen and the South China Athletic Association by Kwan Man-ching, Wong Tung-hoi, George Ko Yau-cheong, Wong Lan-yew, Fok Hin-chew, Leong Yin-cheong and Lam Sam-yuen.

The "knock-out" system was adopted in the Tournament, and Ng Tai-ping and Wong Mo-ping (Canton Ping Pong Champion) were qualified for the final. This was very keenly contested. Ng Tai-ping showed an exceptionally brilliant defence and his accurate drives had the Canton Champion guessing. Ng beat Wong by 16-18, 10-7, 10-6 and thus gains the title of Kwangtung Provincial Ping Pong Champion.

HEAVIES CLASH

UZZUDUN BEATS A NORWEGIAN

New York, Yesterday. Paolino Uzzudun won a decision over Otto Von Porat, a Norwegian heavyweight, at Madison-square Gardens.—Reuter's American Service.

TENNIS

Ladies' Open Championship Singles will commence on Monday, November 19. Entries close on November 12.
Men's Club Championship Singles (Hard Court) will commence on Monday, November 19.

SONG AND DANCE

THE SERENADERS AT THE STAR THEATRE

A GOOD OPENING

"The Serenaders," a bright little company of artistes, opened a short season at the Star Theatre last evening to a fairly full "house." "Jazz Madness" was the title of the programme, and jazz madness it was, well interspersed with individual dancing and singing numbers. Jack Carter, the leader, was full of versatility, presenting trap drum and revue turns which were well received, and Bo-Diddly, an eccentric dancer displayed a lot of acrobatic cleverness; his twirling on his head at the end of an act was a really original effort. Teddy Weatherford, at the piano, made the instrument produce all sorts of chords and discords and was as good with the "soft stuff" as with the thumping jazz tunes and Miss Valada Snow, the only lady performer, danced and sang in an entertaining way. Messrs. Kane-puu, Popipala and Louis gave some haunting string music, including "Kalena" and "Hawaiian Love" and on the whole the programme was a "peppy" one capable of providing an evening's good entertainment. "Black Bottom" furnished a hilarious finale. There will be a change of programme every other night throughout the company's run at the Star Theatre.

EXCITING FILM

"THE TELEPHONE GIRL" AT THE WORLD

POLITICAL STRIFE

Herbert Brenon, who is famous for his production of "Peter Pan," scores another triumph in his latest effort, "The Telephone Girl," which is being screened at the World Theatre for final performances to-day.

The story deals mainly with political strife, and centres around a young candidate for governorship who is threatened by a henchman of the ruling governor.

Excitement is aroused and one follows with interest the train of tragic circumstances that end in a thrilling climax. The piece demonstrates very clearly the power often held in the hands of a telephone operator, and it is through the help of a mere slip of a girl that a powerful governing body is overthrown.

Warner Baxter and Madge Bellamy play opposite each other with great success. They are supported by a big cast which includes Lawrence Grey.

SHE KNOWS NOW

A Chinese woman was, this morning, charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, with dumping rubbish in Third-street, West Point.
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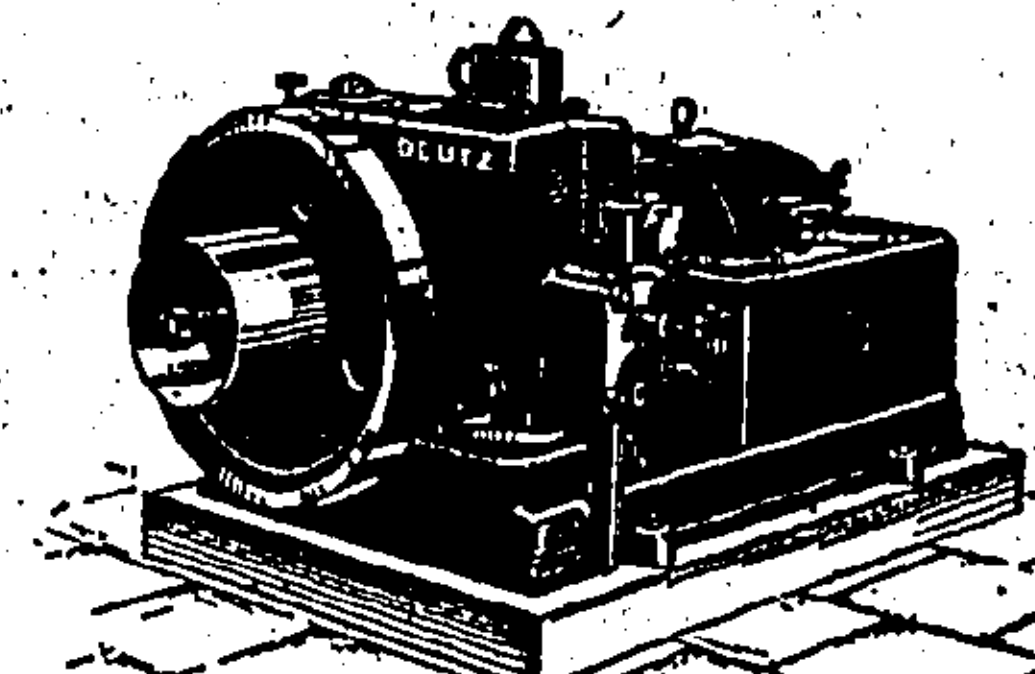
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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

"Aquitania" Beauty



Miss Jessie Johnson, a brunette of 17, who won a beauty contest among passengers on the "Aquitania."

Still Smiling



A new photo of the former world's heavyweight boxing champion, Gene Tunney.

Son of Dictator



Miguel Primo de Rivera, son of the Spanish dictator.

Baseball at High Speed



Four "stars" of the New York Yankees baseball team, photographed in action. Left to right: George Pipgras, pitcher; Lou Gehrig, crossing the plate after a home run, and the one and only Babe Ruth, batting. Below, Dugan snapped sliding on to the home plate.

National League's Leading Batters



Batsmen in the National Baseball League and their percentages:—Left to right, Traynor, Pittsburgh, .348; Grantham, Pittsburgh, .340; Hornsby, Boston, .376; Lindstrom, New York, .351, and, below at right, P. Waner, Pittsburgh, .371.

Amateur Golf Championship



Harrison F. Johnson (left), George Volght and Bobby Jones (inset) who took part in the U.S. amateur golf championship.

Defeated Von Elm



Arthur Yates who defeated George Von Elm in U.S. amateur golf championships.

Will Hang Up Spurs



Earl Sande, the famous American jockey, who announced that he is to retire at the end of the season. He feels that to continue "making weight" would seriously undermine his health.

Princess To Wed



Princess Galina, daughter of the late Prince Paul of Russia, will marry Prince Kristian, a nephew of the late King Nicholas.

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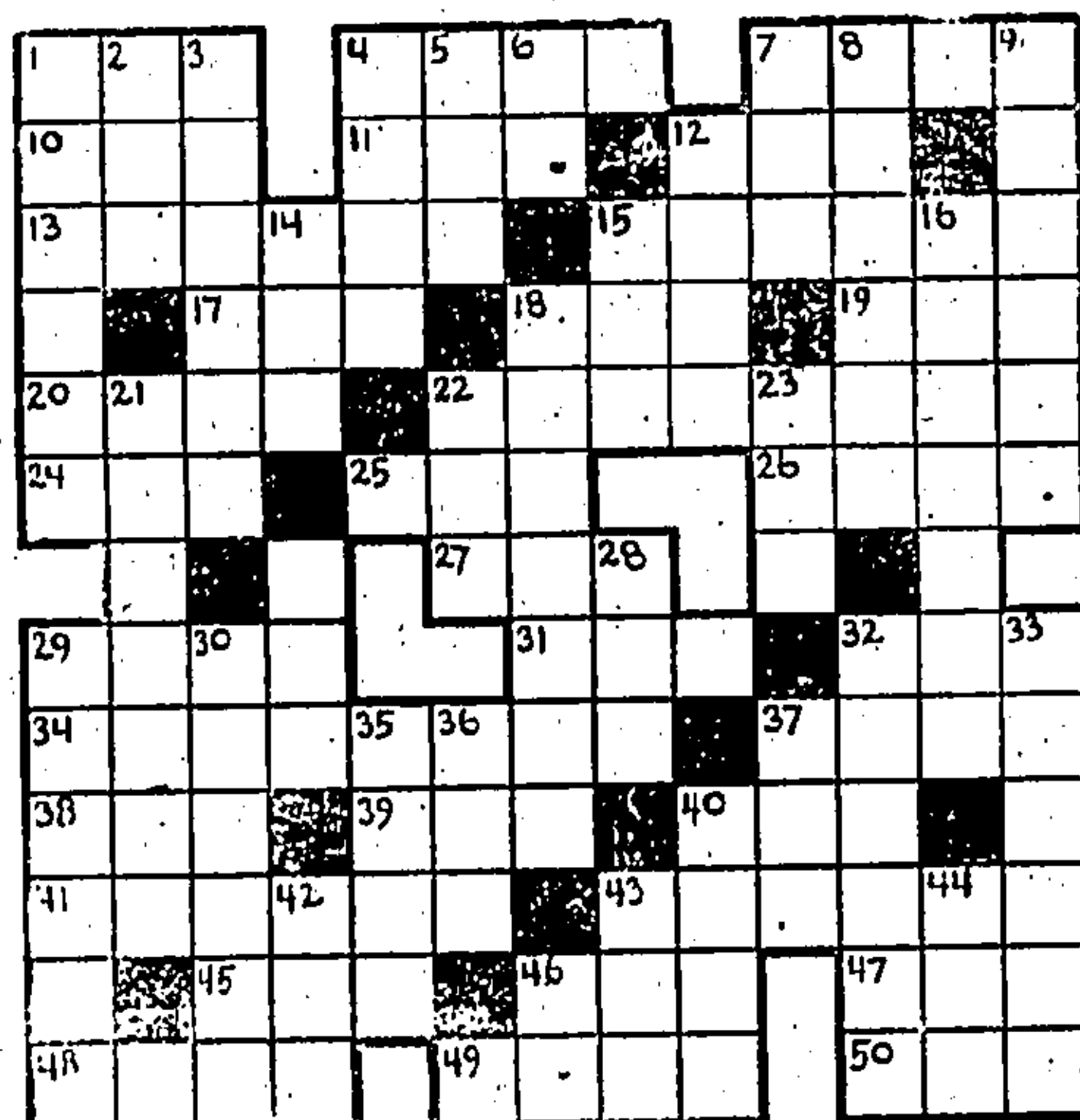
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Small drinking vessel
- 4—Matter conveyed by post
- 7—A blotch or daub
- 10—One (Scott.)
- 11—Girl's name
- 12—River (Spanish)
- 13—The capital of Austria
- 15—Ancient capital of Russia
- 17—Female deer
- 18—Fifth sign of the zodiac
- 19—Equip
- 20—A firm
- 22—A fountain on Mount Parnassus, Greece
- 24—A rose (Scott.)
- 25—Distant
- 26—The founder of Pennsylvania
- 27—Deep hole
- 29—An apple or a pear
- 31—Interjection
- 32—To put forth power
- 33—Having a beard-like appendage

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 37—A covered cloister
- 38—Conducted
- 39—Half eme
- 40—Still
- 41—A three-legged
- 43—A planet
- 45—Purpose
- 46—An evergreen tree
- 47—Eccentric person (slang)
- 48—Small streams
- 49—Observed
- 50—A type measure (pl.)

VERTICAL

- 1—A roll consisting of sturgeon-roe
- 2—Combining form
- 3—A river of S. Carolina
- 4—Long hair on lion's neck
- 5—Suffix—pertaining to
- 6—Into
- 7—Twice
- 8—Locality

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 9—An archer
- 12—Vital part of plant
- 14—Likewise not
- 15—Combining form, Middle
- 16—A great river of Venezuela
- 18—Lassoo
- 21—A braggart
- 22—To crown
- 23—To mimic
- 25—Article
- 26—To deal in a trifling manner
- 30—A tribe of N. W. Arabia (Sibley)
- 32—Harmonize
- 33—Reproaches insultingly
- 35—To abound
- 36—To insect
- 37—To put in order for use
- 40—To be wide open
- 42—Force
- 43—To understand
- 44—Queer or strange (colloq. Eng.)
- 45—Personal pronoun

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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IN THE RING

MICKEY WALKER & HEAVY WEIGHT TITLE

[By Eugene Corri.]

London, Oct. 2.

There has been a decided liveliness in the world of boxing during the week, and promise of a most interesting season was seldom brighter. It is good to know that Teddy Baldock is shaping his plans in such a manner as to leave no doubt about his earnestness, and his determination to dispel whatever doubt there may be as to his worth. There is an idea that he has gone back, that he will not realise the high expectations, he conjured up when he beat Archie Bell, and came near to being a world's champion as makes no matter.

Since then the boy's health took to bad days, but when I referred his much-discussed affair with Johnny Brown I had little doubt that he was his old self. For some time Mick Hill, the Tooting youth, has courted a match with the Poplar wonder, and now they have agreed to fight on the 8th of next month at the Ring, Blackfriars. The stipulated weight is two pounds over the bantam limit, which I think is a pity.

We all are anxious to know whether Baldock can make 8 st. 6 lb., and do himself justice against such a capable performer as Hill undoubtedly is. For his part, Baldock is quite sure that he can do the bantam limit without a deal of difficulty, but personally I have my doubts. I cannot but believe that he would be the more likely to do full credit to his immense talents as a feather-weight. In any case I am sure that Baldock would be well advised to decide once and for all whether he proposes to fight as a bantam or at the heavier weight.

There is a movement afoot to have him matched with Harry Corbett for the feather-weight belt. This would be a match that would capture us all, and it is one that I know the N.S.C. would very much like to stage. But, whatever happens in the matter of Corbett, it is good to know, now that he is feeling well and strong, Baldock does not intend to let the grass grow under his feet. He is a boxer of whom we cannot see too much.

Harvey and Ireland
Len Harvey was hoping that he would be the next opponent for Alec Ireland, but it seems that for the moment he must wait. Not that Ireland is inclined to shirk a meeting with Harvey. It happens that the folk at Edinburgh have other ideas. Perhaps in a few days we shall know with whom our champion middle-weight has been matched. I understand that Ireland will take the ring again some time in November, and that the reputa-

tion of his man will be the best guarantee of a capital fight.

Ireland has had to wait a long time before entering fully into his kingdom. In a night, almost, he has become a big money-maker, and, like a wise fellow, is intent upon taking the tide at the flood. It is stated that one boxer, when approached to fight Ireland, demanded £3,500 for his end. There was, of course, no deal, and I am not surprised. But I am surprised that, instead of the fighter wanting a fixed sum, he did not jump at the chance of fighting for a percentage of the gate. If we are to judge by the attendance at the Moody and Ireland contest, Edinburgh, if not all big towns in Scotland, is just now the boxers' El Dorado.

Whether Harvey is tired of waiting for an opportunity to meet Ireland I do not know, but the fact is that he has contracted with the N.S.C. to take the ring against Johnny Sullivan, who has recently returned from Australia. They have met before, and then Sullivan was voted to be the winner, much to the chagrin of Harvey. I congratulate that N.S.C. on stepping in and making a return fight between the pair possible. Harvey should be delighted. He has for too long been idle.

It is a match that will mean a great deal to both youngsters, for the winner will have the strongest possible claim to a bout for the title with Ireland. Whether Sullivan has profited by his exploits "Down Under" we have yet to see. There was a time when I was pretty sure that Sullivan would rise to considerable heights. I remember Francois Descamps coming to me, after the sensational fight between Mike M'Tigue and Battling Siki at Dublin, and rubbing his hands with glee as he told me that he had discovered a future champion of the world.

He referred to Sullivan, and a short while afterwards Sullivan was of Descamps' stable, and being trained by Gus Wilson, whom Dempsey once described as the best trainer in the world. For reason that I do not know, Sullivan did not remain long with Descamps. Whether he would have done better than he has done, if he had stayed with Descamps and Wilson, is, of course, a matter for conjecture. However, it is sufficient to know that Sullivan has come back home full of fight, and whilst he has been a trifle disappointing to me, I have little fear but that he will bring the best or the worst out of Harvey.

Mickey Walker's Plans
After Ireland had "disposed of" Moody, there was, as was to be expected, a cry for Mickey Walker. As I feared, the American is not coming this way—not at present. Jack Kearns, his manager, is all for setting up Walker as the most for-

midable contender for the heavy-weight title. The majority of those who saw Walker against Tommy Miligan at Olympia, a little more than twelve months ago will perhaps fall to see what chance Walker would have against a more than reasonably good heavy. He looks so little. But Kearns, and Walker also will have it that, since the field is largely barren of heavy-weights of high degree, he is tall enough.

It is at least significant that Walker has lately been having fights with cruisers, and that so far he has done all that has been asked of him. It is pointed out that he is heavier than Fitzsimmons was when the immortal Bob beat Jim Corbett, and that he has proved conclusively there is not a harder puncher in the business. There is not the slightest doubt that Walker, for his inches, is a wonder. He is not only a demon fighter, but a clever boxer. However, his chances of being put up for the heavy-weight title will perhaps be decided after he has met Tommy Loughran, who holds the cruiser championship.

If Walker accounts for Loughran, then there is no reason why he should not be linked up with those who are after succeeding Tunney. They may be taken for granted that Kearns will listen to no overtures from Europe until he has tried Walker out against Loughran. Walker's career has been a remarkable one. He first took the welter title, and, after losing it, became middle-weight champion by virtue of beating "Tiger" Flowers. And the betting now is that he will prove to be the best of all the cruisers.—"Sports Despatch."



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8.		
Holhow and Haiphong	Menado Maru	8.30 a.m.
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Fort Bayard	Tai Poo Shek	1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Lyeemoon	3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9.		
Haiphong	Song Bo	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Haiyang	1 p.m.
*Straits, Mombasa, L. Marques and South Africa	Hakata Maru	4.30 p.m.
Japan	Malwa	5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Malwa	6 p.m.
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FRENCH POLITICAL CRISIS

"UNEXPECTED"

M. POINCARÉ MAY LEAD NEW CABINET

TRIUMPH FOR CAILLAUX

Paris, Yesterday.

In view of the resolution passed at Angers the four Radical Ministers, M. Herriot, M. Sarraut, M. Queuille and M. Perrier have resigned, and this has entailed the resignation of the Cabinet.

The unanimous resolution of the Radical Congress at Angers which precipitated the Cabinet crisis denounced the alleged militarism of the French Government and called a halt to the Government's military and naval programme. It forbade any increase in fighting strength or any vote of money for this purpose. The resolution was moved by the young deputy Montigny and seconded by the Radical leader Daladier, both lieutenants of M. Caillaux. The resolution placed an explicit veto on Radical Ministers remaining in the Cabinet if the Radical wishes were not carried out, and therefore the above Ministers tendered their resignations.

Later Details

Paris, Yesterday.

The Cabinet resigned on the day of the re-opening of Parliament. Both houses met and adjourned. The consensus of opinion is that M. Poincaré will head the new Cabinet.

The Cabinet Crisis was totally unexpected.

The explanation is that when the four Radical Socialist Ministers left Angers, under the impression that counsels of moderation had prevailed, adversaries of the Cabinet concocted a declaration reintroducing condemnation of M. Poincaré and the National Union.

The declaration was voted unanimously in the absence and ignorance of the four Ministers who, when they heard the news, decided that they must resign.

It is a triumph for M. Caillaux, the leader of the Anti-Government Radicals.

The Poincaré Government has lasted 2 years, 8 months and 14 days.

Effect on the Bourse

Paris, Yesterday.

Though there has been no panic, the Bourse reacted violently on the Cabinet's resignation. Renten, the Banque de France and other French values fell heavily while foreign stocks strengthened considerably. There has been a slight improvement at the close, underwriters reflecting that M. Poincaré's fall does not indicate a discontinuance of his policy.—Reuter.

MEXICAN TRIAL

MOTHER-SUPERIOR DENIES COMPLICITY

COURT INVADED

San Angel, Yesterday.

The trial of Toral continued today. The Mother-Superior, Maria Concepcion, swore she was innocent of complicity in the murder, but refused to give any information in regard to the branding of a cross upon the bodies of the sisters of the Convent in imitation of such branding on her own body.

Maria Elena Manzano, another of the accused, admitted that she had plotted to cause the death of Obregon and Calles by pricking them with a poisoned pin while dancing with them.

The trial was adjourned until November 6 following an interruption by a group of deputies, adherents of Obregon, who invaded the court shouting "Death to God!", who is defending Toral.—Reuter's American Service.

SOUTH AFRICA

THE GOVERNMENT RESIGNATION ANNOUNCED

LABOUR'S ACTION

Pretoria, Nov. 6.

The Government has resigned as a sequel to the labour Cabinet Minister, Mr. Madeley, receiving a deputation from a native trade union against the wishes of Heriot. It is expected that the Ministry will be reconstructed not including Madeley.—Reuter.

THE EMPEROR'S CORONATION

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A-REST FOR THE NIGHT

Nagoya, Nov. 6.

Breaking his journey to Kyoto for the enthronement ceremonies, the Emperor arrived here this afternoon and immediately proceeded under military escort to the Detached Palace, where he will spend the night before continuing his journey to-morrow.

The city is en fete with flags and bunting flying and rows of lanterns down all the main streets, while triumphal arches are erected at conspicuous points along the route, followed by the Imperial cortege.—Reuter.

LIQUOR LICENCES

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FINE LATER

North-east winds, moderate; overcast with drizzle at first, improving later is the forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone has passed into the Pacific. Another has formed over south-east Mongolia and north China.

The monsoon will freshen along the east coast of China and remain moderate over the China Sea.

Rain fell rather heavily last night. The quantity registered during the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.145 inch; and from 10 a.m. up to 2 p.m. to-day it was 0.005 inch.

RAILWAYS

BRITISH COMPANIES AND AERIAL TRANSPORT

NEW DEVELOPMENT

London, Yesterday.

A meeting of the general managers of railway companies discussed the question of seeking Government support for the promotion of a bill granting railways powers for aerial transport. The companies contemplate the production of aeroplanes at their huge railway works as a sequel to the official request circulated to the chief cities and towns in England urging them to provide municipal aerodromes as soon as possible.

The Air Ministry has sanctioned the establishment of an aerodrome in Manchester.—Reuter.

OIL PROFITS

ANGLO-PERSIAN RETURNS DROP

London, Yesterday.

Sir John Cadman, presiding at the annual meeting of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, announced that the net profits had fallen by \$1,250,000.

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"We are still faced with the problems of uncontrolled production and reckless marketing competition."—Reuter.

THE "CHRISTIAN GENERAL"

Nanking, Yesterday.

It is reliably stated that troops of Peng Yu-hsiang (the "Christian General"), who is now Minister for War and vice-Premier of the National Government, have moved into Nanking, the national capital, for the first time.—British Naval Wire.

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